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Tenant Focus

FROM SHRA

RentPlus Program

Are you interested in boosting your Credit Score at NO cost to you? In September, SHRA notified all residents of the option to enroll in the RentPlus Program. By enrolling in RentPlus, only your on-time rent payments will be recorded by two major credit companies, Equifax and TransUnion, thus increasing your credit score. Please contact your site office or visit www.rentplus.com for more information.

Resident Services Trainee Program Currently Recruiting

The Resident Services program is actively recruiting for three (3) positions:

• Clerical, Janitorial, Painter

Trainee will be enrolled in the program for a period of two (2) years. The positions are full time with an hourly rate of \$15.00/hour. This is a great opportunity for any resident or young adult who is transitioning to the workplace.

If you or someone you know is interested in the position or if you have additional questions, please contact Judy Castillo, Manager, Resident Services, at 916-449-6333.

Emergency Work Orders – Entry Into Dwellings

Reminder:

There has been confusion regarding providing 48-hour notice to enter a resident's dwelling to complete an Emergency Work Order.

Per the ACOP – Chapter 9 and per the Lease Agreement signed by all residents (Item #15 of Lease Agreement), "the PHA may enter the premises at any time without advance notification when there is reasonable cause to believe that an emergency exits". When a maintenance worker is responding to a Work Order that has been categorized as an "Emergency", this rule applies. Thank you for your consideration to this policy.

Resident Contact Information – Updates Requested

During the recent power outage and evacuations on I Street in December, we found several resident phone and emergency contact records were either not current or not working at all. To ensure we have a second method to contact you, please update the official phone numbers for both you and your emergency contact(s) with the site office staff. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Don't Invite Us to Dinner ...



Stay in the Kitchen When Cooking!



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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Scholarships make college cheaper or free!
- Resident meetings are on a conference call using Zoom.
- Poster Contest with prizes!

\$6,000.00 Scholarships by HAI Group

SacRAB provides \$500.00 scholarships through SCC

Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD)

RAD II construction has begun with the first phase of residents relocated to hotels as the buildings are rehabilitated. The first phase residents can look forward to returning to their newly rehabbed units in April.

RAD III preconstruction and planning activities have begun for Big Trees, Pine Knoll, and Riverview Plaza which includes 183 units. A bond and tax credit application is being compiled for submission for financing for the project. The RAD team has met and will continue to meet with the residents at the scheduled monthly meetings.

We wish SHRA and the developer well as they provide improved living conditions to us.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

HAI Group's Resident Scholarship Program helps low-income students pay for higher education. To date, we have awarded more than \$1.5 million to more than 470 students across the country—students who have gone on to careers in nursing, education, social work, and more.

This year, we'll be awarding scholarships worth \$6,000 each to 20 residents to continue their education. Students may enter—and be awarded— scholarships for up to four consecutive years.

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

Enrollment:

Is or will be enrolled in an accredited and/ or licensed technical school or accredited two- or four-year college or university in the United States for the fall 2022 semester.

Residency:

Resides in a housing authority or in a property with a housing choice voucher (HCV) administered by a housing authority that is a member of Housing Authority Risk Retention Group (HARRG) or Housing Authority Property Insurance, A Mutual Company (HAPI) or resides in an affordable housing property insured by Housing Enterprise Insurance Company (HEIC).

Citizenship:

Must be a United States citizen or a permanent resident (with a green card).

Other:

Must follow all other rules outlined in the official rules, https://

www.housingcenter.com/scholarships/ For more information you can contact

Resident Services—Karen Simmons at 916-449-6314

RESIDENT MEETINGS

SRAB uses Zoom for meetings. You can join by laptop, tablet, or smart phone; log into the meeting via internet to:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89427240352

By phone you can dial 669-900-9128 and

you will be able to talk in the meeting. Please review the chart below for your committee meeting date and time.

Follow the instructions when the call is connected. **Meeting ID: 894 2724 0352#** Your phone provider may charge you long distance rates.

Date **Committee Meeting** Time Date Day 5:30 - 6:30pmMarch 17 April 21 Alder Grove resident meeting Thurs Wed March 9 Arden Arcade resident meeting 2 - 3pmBig Trees resident meeting Tue 1 - 2pmMarch 22 April 26 Capitol Terrace resident meeting Tue 10 - 11am March 15 April 19 Colonial Heights resident meeting Mon 10:30 - 11:30am March 21 April 18 Comstock resident meeting Mon 1:30 - 2:30pm March 21 April 18 Edge Water resident meeting Tue 3 - 4pmMarch 8 April 12 2 - 3pmMarch 15 Gibson Oaks resident meeting Tue Gran Casa Linda resident meeting Wed 2 - 3pmMarch 16 Tue 5:30 - 6:30pm March 22 April 26 Marina Vista resident meeting Paradise Manor resident meeting Thurs 1 - 2pmMarch 17 Pine Knoll resident meeting Tue 2-3pmMarch 8 April 12 10:30 - 11:30am April 14 Rio Linda resident meeting Thurs 3 - 4pmMarch 17 Riverview Plaza resident meeting Thurs April 21 Sherman Oaks resident meeting Mon 3 - 4pmMarch 14 April 11 2 - 3pmSierra Vista resident meeting Thurs March 17 April 21 Sun River Communities meeting Wed 1:30 - 2:30pm April 27 Suttersview resident meeting Mon 1:30 - 2:30pm March 28 April 25 1:30 - 2:30pm April 28 Washington Plaza resident meeting Thurs March 24





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NOTICE OF SRAB MEETING

The next Sacramento Resident Advisory Board 'Quarterly Meeting' has been set for 1:30 pm, April 22, 2022.

This meeting will be conducted via Zoom video call. From a computer, tablet, or smart phone go

to: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85002786198.

We ask that you mute your mic except when you are asked to speak. We will enable presenters at 1:30, please join the meeting before that time.

To join **by phone**: Dial 669-900-9128

Webinar ID: **850 0278 6198** #

The Resident Services Department is here for you! If any assistance is needed with the HAI Scholarship application

or supplies for Poster contest, please contact the Resident Services Department at 916-449-6250!

"What Home Means to Me" Poster Contest — Entry Rules

Rules:

Theme - "What Home Means to Me"

- Size All posters must be 22" x 28" and have a <u>LAND-SCAPE/HORIZONTAL</u> orientation to be considered for national judging and may be featured in the **2023 "What Home Means to Me" calendar**.
- Media Contestant may use any of the following art media: marker, crayon, paint, or color pencil. Please consider that posters will need to be packaged, mailed and reproduced.
- All entries must be mailed flat.
- All contestants must sign a release making their entry the property of NAHRO and permitting duplication/ publication thereof. The release should be secured to the back of the entry.
- All regional finalists and national winners must sign a photo release waiver giving NAHRO permission to use their picture for online and print publication.
- All contestants are asked to provide a short narrative on the inspiration, vision, and importance of their poster design. The narrative should be secured on the back of the entry.

- Contestant's name, grade level, age, and housing authority must be written on the back of each poster entry in addition to being listed on the release form also attached to the entry.
- NAHRO is only responsible for returning the original poster to the national grand prize winner. NAHRO is not responsible for returning posters except for the grand prizewinning poster.
- National winners will be selected based on how well the artwork uses the "What Home Means to Me" theme.

The deadline to submit for the 2022 contest Friday, April 29, 2022!

Age Categories:

Elementary: K to 5th grade Middle: 6th to 8th grade High: 9th to 12th grade

National Prizes

The grand prize cover winner will receive an iPad and a framed copy of their original artwork. The cover winner and one legal guardian will also get a trip to Washington D.C. and attend NAHRO's Washington Conference where he or she will be honored. The 12 national winners will each receive a \$100 Visa gift card and a copy of the calendar.

For more information, call Karen Simmons at 916-449-6314