Neighbor to Neighbor



LA CROSSE HOUSING AUTHORITY CITY OF LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN "WE NEED A ROOF OVER OUR HEADS"

Re-Evaluation Process for Mullen Homes & Schuh Homes

The Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) requires that we review your income and household composition every year to determine if you are still eligible to receive assistance paying your rent. Your recertification packets will be hand delivered: Mullen Homes 1/3/2023 & Schuh Homes 2/1/2023. Complete, sign, and attach all information needed for your annual recertification. Please bring your completed packet to LHA office and place in our mail slot by the front door. All information must be returned to the office by the date stated in your packet. You are required to provide verification of your household income/assets/medical expenses. Please provide verifications which will enable us to calculate your correct level of assistance. FLAT RENT: If you have chosen the Flat Rent Method, you are still required to complete the recertification process. If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Greve at 608-782-2264, ext.223. If you are 62 years of age or older or a person with disabilities and require special assistance to complete your annual reexamination, please contact the housing specialist and arrangements will be made to accommodate your needs. Please be advised that if you fail to complete the annual recertification, your housing may be terminated.



Loretta Hass is our newest

Occupancy Supervisor.

608-782-2264 Ext. 233

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January – March 2023

Business continues to be conducted via phone, email, drop box, and by APPOINTMENT.

 Phone: 608-782-2264
 Fax: 608-782-2262

 Address: 1307 Badger Street
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 P.O. Box 1053
 Fax: 608-782-2262

 La Crosse, WI 54602-1053
 Fax: 608-782-2262

 Website:
 www.lacrossehousing.org

Email: info@lacrossehousing.org

Lobby Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00a.m. - Noon & 12:30p.m. - 3:00p.m. (Sat. & Sun. Closed)



No one will be working at the Housing Authority Office on Monday, January 2nd.

For Emergency Maintenance – Call 780-5727

LOCKED OUT? If you are locked out of your home, please be aware that staff is required to confirm you are the resident of the unit prior to unlocking the door. A photo I.D. is the best means of proof. Please understand this is for everyone's safety.

All Housing Authority properties (buildings/ grounds/parking lots) are "No Smoking Areas."



Nicole Greve is our new Occupancy Specialist for our family units. 608-782-2264 Ext. 223 ngreve@lacrossehousing.org

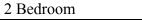
Please note FLAT RENT changes for 2023	
0 Bedroom	\$685
1 Bedroom	\$799
2 Bedroom	\$1,024
3 Bedroom	\$1,409
4 Bedroom	\$1,744
5 Bedroom	\$2,006

UTILITY ALLOWANCES for 2023 ARE STAYING THE SAME AS LAST YEAR.

SCHUH/MULLEN AND HUBER HOMES

1 Bedroom	\$86
2 Bedroom	\$110
3 Bedroom	\$136
4 Bedroom	\$148
5 Bedroom	\$202

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\$145

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Visit <u>bgclax.org</u> to check your local club for updates.

Registration is open online on <u>www.bgclax.org</u>. Members grades K-12 are eligible to attend if registered. On days school is not in session or early release, the club will be open from 12pm - 4:00pm. Dinner will be served nightly.

The <u>Schuh-Mullen Boys & Girls Club</u> is currently open 3:00pm – 6:00pm Monday - Friday. If you have any questions, please call Jenna Anfang @ 782-3923 or email jenna.anfang@bgclax.org.

<u>Huber Homes Community Center</u> is open 3:00pm 6:00pm Monday - Friday. If you have any questions, contact Cassidy Murphy @ 608-784-6065.

The clubs will be closed Monday, January 2, 2023.



Great Rivers 2-1-1

Get Connected. Get Help.

Great Rivers 2-1-1 offers free, confidential community information and referrals 24 hours/day. Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255 to talk to an information and referral specialist.



We also offer a Crisis Hotline 24/7. Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255 to talk to a crisis specialist.

Housing Protection for Victims

of Domestic Violence:

What you should know....

On average, 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men will experience some form of violence committed by an intimate or domestic partner in their lifetime. One reason many victims do not disclose their experiences is because they worry that doing so will jeopardize their housing. There are protections in place for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, provided

through Wisconsin state laws and the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). As a victim, you cannot be

evicted because of incidents of abuse, or due to the



abuser's criminal activity directly related to the abuse. The owners of your property, or the Housing Authority, have the ability to evict an abusive household member to allow you and your family to remain in your housing. If you are experiencing violence in your home, please know that you are not alone. Contact the Housing Authority to invoke your VAWA or state protections, or call New Horizons Shelter and Outreach Centers Advocates for assistance, information and supportive services. You can reach an Advocate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 608-791-2600 or 1-888-231-0066, and all of the services provided are free and confidential.

A dog or cat license can be purchased through the City Treasurer's office and needs to be done between January 1st – March 31st to avoid a late fee and citation. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required to license your animal.



If you are a pet owner, you must have a copy of your pet's license on file at the Housing Authority Office. Please contact Nicole Greve at 782-2264, ext. 223, if you have any questions.

Refuse & Recycling Collection Dates:

Schuh

Monday, January 2nd, 16th & 30th Monday, February 13th & 27th Monday, March 13th & 27th

Huber Homes

Friday, January 6th & 20th Friday, February 3rd & 17th Friday, March 3rd, 17th & 31st **Grover Estates** Monday, January 9th & 23rd Monday, February 6th & 20th Monday, March 6th & 20th

REMINDER: Bins must be removed from the street within 24 hours after the trash/recycling collection and should not be placed out for collection more than 12 hours before the collection. Also...please keep trash picked up and put in correct bins. Empty boxes can be hazardous when there are high winds.

Mullen

Please dispose of your refuse & recycling properly in the dumpster areas. (Look for visual aids on each dumpster) **Recycling dumpster areas:**



1300 St. James St., 802 Winneshiek Rd., 854 Winneshiek Rd.

WAFER Mobile Pantry Vehicle



Huber Homes every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:00 – 4:00pm.

Wednesday, January 11th Wednesday, February 8th Wednesday, March 8th

Schuh/Mullen every 4th Thursday of the month from 2:30pm - 4:00pm Thursday, January 26th Wednesday, February 23rd Thursday, March 23rd

The Mobile Food Pantry will be parked on Wall Street.

Things you will need:

Photo ID with **every** visit.

Mail verification (Mail within the last 30 days, i.e. cable bill, bank statement, lease, utility bill, etc.) once a year or when you change place of residence.

You will need to wait in line, and **please remember social distancing.** No one will be entering the WAFER Mobile at this time. You will be receiving food packages. These packages will include a box of dry goods and a bag of dairy, produce, bread and meats. Delivery will be from the lift on the back end of the Mobile Pantry. **PLEASE** be patient, kind and respectful to others while waiting your turn. If you have any questions, please contact Tony Meyers at 608-782-6003 wafermobile@waferlacrosse.org. Feel free to check their website for the most current information and building updates. Projected opening of the new location is Spring 2023.

Food Fair:

The Food Pantry will be open the last Saturday of the month @ 403 Causeway Blvd. from 10:00am - 12:00pm.

REACH Services and Resource Center Walk-in Resource Center:

The REACH Center is a place where multiple agencies can assist with housing navigation, homeless prevention, mental/AODA support, healthcare, and violence prevention and support in one location.

Walk-in services available: Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 2:30pm 212 11th Street South La Crosse, WI 54601 608-781-2783 Reachcenterlacrosse.org info@reachcenterlacrosse.org

What is the difference between Influenza (Flu) and COVID-19?

Influenza (Flu) and COVID-19 are both contagious respiratory illnesses, but they are caused by different viruses. COVID-19 is caused by infection with new coronaviris (called SAR-CoV-2) and flu is caused by infection with influenza viruses.

There are some key differences between flu and COVID-19. COVID-19 seems to sread more easily than flu and causes more serious illesses in some people. It can also take longer before people show symptoms and people can be contagious for longer. Another important difference is there is a vaccine to protect against flu. There is currently no vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to the viris.

Because some of the symptoms of flu and COVID-19 are similar, it may be hard to tell the difference between them based on the symptoms alone, and testing may be needed to help confirm a diagnosis. Flu and COVID-19 share many characteristics, but there are some key differences between the two.

While more learned every day, there is still a lot that is unknown about COVID-19 and the virus that causes it. The above compares COVID-19 and flu given the best available information to date.



Sunday, March 12, 2023

Just a reminder to shovel your walk from your doorway to the sidewalks & also your driveways. Please remove your cars if you live in the Mullen Homes so we may plow the parking lots.



New Horizons

Shelter and Outreach Centers

Are you feeling isolated and controlled by a loved one?

Do you feel like no one will understand? Help is available - Free and Confidential (608)-791-2600

Any time, any day. Someone is here to listen.

Community Service

If you receive a letter from the Housing Authority regarding Community Service and have not contacted Loretta Hass to discuss your status, you need to call immediately. Performing Community Service IS your responsibility and if NOT performed, is considered a lease violation. Call the office at 782-2264, ext. 233, for Loretta Hass.

LA CROSSE MTU (Municipal Transit Utility)

MASKS are OPTIONAL for all on public transportation.

Normal schedule and boarding through the front door of the bus.



WORKING ON CARS

Only properly registered vehicles are



permitted in the LHA parking area. Vehicle repairs such as oil changes, motor overhauls, and body

work are NOT allowed in the complex.