

Neighbor to Neighbor



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

Emergency Maintenance – Call 1-855-895-4473

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.

With severe weather alerts, it can be tricky trying to figure out what the different terms mean between Severe Thunderstorm **Watch** and Severe Thunderstorm **Warning**.

WeatherWorks describes Watches as "conditions are favorable or expected, but not occurring or imminent" – <u>Be Prepared</u> and Warnings as "conditions are occurring or imminent" – Take Action!

If that's still confusing, think of it this way: a watch is all the ingredients needed to make severe weather, but no severe weather is currently happening. A warning is the ingredients have come together and now you need to take action, because the severe weather has formed.

2024 Annual Inspections

Schuh Homes – April 2nd – 4th Huber Homes – June 4th – 6th

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April - June 2024

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

 Address: 1307 Badger Street
 P.O. Box 1053

La Crosse, WI 54602-1053 Website: www.lacrossehousing.org Email: info@lacrossehousing.org

Lobby Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am-12:00pm & 12:30pm - 3:00pm (Sat. & Sun. Closed)

No one will be working at the Housing Authority Office Friday, March 29 and Monday, May 27th.

Everybody has the right to VOTE

Tuesday, April 2nd for the Spring Election (Polls open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm)

Grover Estates

Black River Beach Neighborhood Center 1433 Rose Street

Huber Homes

Living Word Christian Church

2015 Ward Ave. (Rear Entranc

Schuh Homes/Mullen Homes

Myrick Park Center

789 Myrick Park Dr

IRS Tax Deadline: Monday, April 15, 2024

YOUR

VOTE

COUNTS

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.



new horizons Shelter and Outreach Centers SAFE SPACE

All services are free and confidential. Support groups are designed to:

Our support groups are available weekly for adults and youth who have experienced and/or witnessed domestic violence in their lives. If you would like a safe place to talk, share experiences, learn, ask questions and even play, come join us!

For information and locations of support groups, contact: Resource Advocate: 608-791-2610, ext. 1309; Youth & Family Advocate: 608-791-2610, ext. 1203.



Fire Safety at Home

* Test smoke alarms monthly and contact the Housing Office if not working or if it is chirping.

* Never disable smoke alarms, even for a short time. (Lease violation)

* Never leave food that's cooking unattended.

* Know how to extinguish a small pan fire by carefully sliding a lid over the flames. Never throw water on a grease fire. It will make the fire worse.

* Learn how and when to use a fire extinguisher if you have one.

* In case of fire, show children how to crawl below smoke during fire and how to "Stop, Drop & Roll" if clothes catch fire.

* Teach children what to do in case of fire. Create a fire safety action plan and practice it.



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: Mon, Tues, Thur., & Fri., from 8:00am – 4:00pm Wed. 10:00am – 4:00pm 212 11th Street South La Crosse, WI 54601 608-781-2783 ext. 200 Reachcenterlacrosse.org info@reachcenterlacrosse.org



Registration is open online on <u>www.bgclax.org</u>.

Members grades K-12 are eligible to attend if registered. Clubs will be closed Monday, April 1st and Monday, May 27^{th.} The last day of school is Wednesday, June 5th and is last day of after school programming. The Summer Club will start Tuesday, June 11th and will be open from 12:00-4:00pm.

The <u>Schuh-Mullen Boys & Girls Club</u> is currently open 3:00-6:00pm Monday - Friday. S/M Club hosts a Neighborhood Night every 4th Thursday of the month from 5:00-6:30pm. If you have any questions, please call Autumn Boik @ 608-782-3926 or email <u>autumn.boik@bgclax.org</u>>

<u>Huber Homes Community Center</u> is open 3:00 -6:00pm Monday - Friday. The Huber Club hosts a Neighborhood Night every 3rd Thursday of the month from 5:00-6:30pm. If you have any questions, please call Cassidy Murphy @ 608-784-6065 or email

cassidy.murphy@bgclax.org>

Parents...Please remind your children to be mindful and not walk through other neighbor's yards.

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.



Don't forget that **ALL** pets must be registered with the LHA! Pets must be spayed or neutered, up-todate on their shots and cats & dogs are required to be registered with the City of La Crosse.

To license online, go to <u>www.PetData.com</u>, enter your zip code and click "online" under License Now, you can register multiple pets at the same time, and easily upload required documents. All major credit cards are accepted, and a small convenience fee will apply per transaction.

To license by mail, simply mail a copy of your pet's current rabies certificate and any other applicable documentation, along with your check payable to "City of La Crosse Treasurer" to "City of La Crosse Animal Licensing, C/O PetData, PO Box 141929, Irving, TX 75014".

You can also use the drive-up red drop box in front of city hall (400 La Crosse Street) to drop a copy of the Rabies Certificate and payment to: City of La Crosse Treasurer



Cat/Dog (Spayed/Neutered): \$12.00 Cat/Dog (Not-Spayed/Not-Neutered): \$23.00 The Treasurer's office accepts cash & check. If you have any questions, please call 608-789-7528.

Y ON THE FLY SUNDAYS 2:00-3:30 PM

Y on the Fly will be coming to neighborhoods and hosting physical activities and a complimentary snack for all.

Potential Activities Offered: Youth Sports, Gym Games, Yoga & Zumba.

Schuh/Mullen - 2nd Sunday of each month

Huber Homes 3rd Sunday of each month

WAFER Mobile Pantry Vehicle



<u>Huber Homes</u> every 2^{nd} Thursday of the month from 10:30 - 11:30am

Thursday, April 11th Thursday, May 9th Thursday, June 13th



<u>Schuh/Mullen</u> every 4th Thursday of the month from 10:30am – 12:00pm Thursday, April 25th Thursday, May 23rd Thursday, June 27th

You will need to wait in line. No one will be entering the WAFER Mobile at this time. You will be receiving pre-packaged food boxes. These packages will include a box of dry goods and bags of dairy, produce, bread, and meats. There will be staff and volunteers to help lift items into carts. **PLEASE** be patient, kind, and respectful to others while waiting your turn. If you have any questions, please call Tony Meyers @ (608) 782-6003. wafermobile@waferlacrosse.org.



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

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Schuh Homes will have Duct Cleaning done. Currently, it is planned for April 1

<u>Grover Estates</u> will be getting new bathroom fans installed middle to the end of April.

Flyers will be posted when it gets closer.

Great Rivers 2-1-1 Get Connected. Get Help.

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2-1-1 offers free, confidential community information and referrals 24 hours/day. We also offer a Crisis Hotline 24/7. Dial 2-1-1 or (800) 362-8255 to talk to an information and referral specialist.

Refuse & Recycling Collection Dates:

Schuh Homes

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Monday, April 8th & 22nd Monday, May 6th & 20th Monday, June 3rd & 17th

Friday, April 12th & 26th

Huber Homes

HARTER'S

SERVICE INC.

Friday, May 10th & 24th Friday, June 7th & 21st **Grover Estates** Monday, April 1st, 15th & 29th Monday, May 13th & Tuesday the 28th Monday, June 10th & 24th

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

Mullen Homes

Please dispose of your recycling & refuse 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