



HIGH-RISE to HIGH-RISE

July 2024

Lobby Hours: 9:00am-12:00pm and 12:30pm-3:00pm CST

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***Residents can submit NON-EMERGENCY maintenance requests on the website.*

INDEPENDENCE DAY

(Thursday, July 4)

The Housing Authority staff and Board of Commissioners would like to wish all our residents a Very Safe and Happy Independence Day!

No one will be working in the Housing Authority Office on **Thursday, July 4, 2024.**

BIKES & TRICYCLES

- All bicycles and tricycles need to be registered with the Housing Authority and have a Housing Authority sticker on them in a visible location.
- Bike racks are to be used for bicycles and tricycles only; do not lock wagons, wheelbarrows, etc. to the bike racks.
- No other Housing Authority property should be used as a make-shift bike rack - soda machines, handrails, maintenance equipment, etc.
- Bikes can be kept in your apartment BUT not in the hallway.
- Reminder, storage of any items in interior or exterior common spaces is not allowed, and if found, will be disposed of by the Housing Authority.

Starting the week of Monday, July 15, 2024, the Housing Authority will begin removing bikes that are not registered and do not have a housing sticker.

**ALL HOUSING AUTHORITY PROPERTIES
(BUILDINGS, GROUNDS/PARKING LOTS) ARE
"NO SMOKING AREAS."**

EMERGENCY MAINTENANCE

Monday-Thursday after 3:00pm

Weekends (Friday 3:00pm - Monday 6:30am) & Holidays

Call: 1-855-895-4473

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

Re-Evaluations at Sauber Manor will be **IN PERSON** this month on **July 15, 16, 17, & 18**

All Sauber Manor residents have been scheduled an appointment time. The re-evaluation will take place **in person** in the **library**. Please be patient and wait your turn.

- Letters were slid under everyone's door on or before July 1, 2024.
- You are required to supply all verification of income, assets, and medical expenses.
- Provide all/any letters you have received from Social Security, Pension, Annuity, IRA's, concerning your benefit amount and/or insurance premium deducted from your monthly benefit.
- Provide 2 most recent checking account statements, 1 most recent savings account statement, CD, or other asset account statements, Chime, PayPal, Cash App, Direct Express, Green Dot or any other banking app, any other on-line accounts, over-the-counter medication with doctor's note, 2024 pet license & rabies certificate. A more detailed listing is on the backside of the letter you will receive.
- Medical insurance premiums and other medical expense information – you need to provide.
- If you fail to complete your re-evaluation, please be advised that this is your notification that your rent will increase to \$866.00 per month effective November 1, 2024.
- Read your annual recertification notice carefully! All residents must be seen at annual recertification time - regardless of when you moved in

Feel free to call Nicole Hebel at 608-782-2264, ext. 225, with any questions.

Senior (62+) Emergency Preparedness Presentations

The Housing Authority was contacted by Brenda Hanson, the public health emergency preparedness coordinator, of La Crosse County Health Department. Brenda received funding to provide emergency go-bags to seniors who may not have access to the resources to do so otherwise. Brenda will be completing presentations and be available for answering any questions in the community rooms at:

Forest Park on Friday, July 12, 2024, from 1:00pm-2:00pm
Becker Plaza on Friday, July 19, 2024, from 1:00pm-2:00pm

Seniors (62+) from the other high-rises are more than welcome to join.

Welcoming our Newest Residents:

Stacey Hanson and Swanhild Lubeck - Forest Park
Todd Turnmire and Christopher Schlegel - Sauber Manor
Xong Lee Vue and Elizabeth Ahrens - Solberg Heights
(These are the residents who chose to be acknowledged.)



Patrons may receive 1 complete food package per month. Accounts must be up-to-date and current.

Patrons would be able to receive smaller packages - produce and bakery (and possibly surplus items) - the other weeks of the month, one time per week.

We also offer drive-thru for complete food packages only for people 60+ or those who have had staff approval.

The drive-thru is open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00am-12:00pm for people 60+ or by staff referral.

Mobile Food Pantry:

Everyone in each of the high-rises qualifies for this free service.

You will need to wait in line. No one will be entering the WAFER Mobile at this time. Everyone will get a choice of dairy, meats, produce, bakery, and a pre-packaged food box. There will be staff and volunteers to help lift items into carts. Residents can use the building shopping carts to bring items up to their apartment; however, please clean and return the cart immediately for the next person to use.

PLEASE be patient, kind, and respectful of others while waiting your turn.

From 9:00am to 11:00am the Mobile Pantry will be parking in the front of each high-rise.

Forest Park on July 3 (1st Wednesday)

Becker Plaza on July 9 (2nd Tuesday)

Solberg Heights on July 10 (2nd Wednesday)

Stokke Tower on July 16 (3rd Tuesday)

Sauber Manor on July 17 (3rd Wednesday)

Ping Manor on July 18 (3rd Thursday)

Stoffel Court on July 23 (4th Tuesday)

The Mobile Pantry stays the full two hours; therefore, do not feel you need to get down there right away. They will have plenty of food for everyone.

Feel free to check their website for the most current information: waferlacrosse.org

Catholic Communion

Becker Plaza (Library)

Friday, July 5, 2024 (1st Friday) at 10:15am

Upcoming Motor Coach Trip

Henry Vilas Zoo in Madison, WI - Thursday, July 25, 2024

Lark Toys in Kellogg, MN - Monday, August 15, 2024

Informational flyers are posted in each high-rise on the bulletin boards and this month's insert. To sign up and join in the fun all you need to do is call the Housing Office at 608-782-2264 then dial 237 for Stephanie or 235 for Fawn.

Farmer's Market Voucher Program

The Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program, coordinated locally by the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of La Crosse County, provides low-income seniors with \$45.00 vouchers to purchase fresh grown fruits & vegetables from local participating Farmers Markets. **There are still some vouchers available** so individuals may call the ADRC at 608-785-5700 to request a form.

Eligible participants must live in La Crosse County, be 60 years of age or older (native Americans, 55 years of age or older) and at or below a monthly income of \$2,321.75 if

single & \$3151.16 for couples

ONLY ONE SET OF VOUCHERS (\$45) ARE ALLOWED PER PERSON.

Vouchers must be used by October 31, 2024

Important Reminders

- Please **DO NOT** flush anything down the toilet except toilet paper.
- Housing Authority properties and grounds are "SMOKE FREE."
- If your call is urgent and during business hours, **please call our receptionist** at **608-782-2264, ext. 221**. PLEASE refrain from calling and leaving messages with staff members. Staff might be away from their desk most of the day and might not get your message until the next business day.
- Always keep your apartment door closed and locked.
- Plastic bags **do not** go in the recycling bin outside. They can be used to carry your recyclable items outside to the bin: however, remove the recycled items from the plastic bag and put them in the bin. Plastic bags are considered garbage or can be recycled at Walmart or Festival Foods.

REACH Services and 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 centralized location.

****New Hours****

Monday & Wednesday: 8:00am-2:30pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday: CLOSED

212 11th Street South, La Crosse, WI 54601

608-781-2783, ext. 200

info@reachcenterlacrosse.org

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.



advocating against domestic & sexual abuse



State of Wisconsin “SENIOR Stockbox” Program:
 For those who signed up for a “Senior Stockbox,” the Hunger Task Force will be delivering your box to your apartment on the following Mondays and times. You must show your ID and sign for your box. The Hunger Task Force may call your apartment to be let in so please buzz them in.

Delivery dates and estimated times at all seven high-rises:

Monday, July 1:

10:00am-12:00pm- Becker Plaza and Stoffel Court

Monday, July 8:

10:00am-12:00pm- Solberg Heights and Stokke Tower

Monday, July 15:

10:00am-12:00pm- Forest Park and Ping Manor

Monday, July 22:

9:00am-10:00am- Sauber Manor

If you are 60 years of age or older, and your monthly income must fall below these levels: 1-person household: \$1,632 or 2-person household: \$2,215. Call to sign up at **608-793-1002**.

Kane Street Community Garden:

The Hunger Task Force has invited residents from our high-rises to volunteer at The Kane Street Community Garden. Summer volunteer hours are Monday & Thursday 8am-6pm (distribution at 4:30pm), Wednesday & Friday 8am-3pm, and Saturday 8am-1pm (distribution at 11:30pm). Garden volunteers assist with tasks like prepping the garden for planting, planting, composting, mulching, and other garden projects.

The Kane Street Community Garden is located on the corner of Kane and St. Cloud on the north side of La Crosse close to Goose Green Park. If you have any questions about the garden, feel free to call the Hunger Task Force Office at 608-793-1002 or Cell Phone at 608-386-3319 or lacrossehtf.org/garden.



Bible Study

Forest Park (Community Room) Host: Joyce M.
Mondays from 6:00pm-7:00pm. All Welcome.

**Next Month~
 Annual Home Inspections**

Stoffel Court - August 6-8, 2024

Notices were posted on each floor, and everyone was given a copy. Please note, we will be testing the emergency pull cords in each apartment (be prepared for the noise). If you are not home, entry will be made, and a notice will be left for you.

MASKS are OPTIONAL for all on public transportation.

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



**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.



Re-Evaluation at Forest Park will be IN PERSON next month

- **Letters will be slid under everyone’s door on or before August 1, 2024.** You are required to supply all verification of income, assets, and medical expenses.
- Provide all/any letters you have received from Social Security, Pension, Annuity, IRAs, concerning your benefit amount and/or insurance premium deducted from your monthly benefit.
- Provide 6 most recent checking account statements, 1 most recent savings account statement, CD, or other asset account statements, Chime, PayPal, Cash App, Direct Express, Green Dot or any other banking app, any other online accounts, over-the-counter medication with doctor’s note, 2024 pet license & rabies certificate. A more detailed listing is on the backside of the letter you will receive.
- Medical insurance premiums and other medical expense information - you need to provide.
- If you fail to complete your reevaluation, please be advised that this is your notification that your rent will increase to \$1,013.00 per month effective December 1, 2024.
- Read your annual recertification notice carefully! All residents must be seen at annual recertification time - regardless of when you moved in!

Feel free to call Nancy Peters at 608-782-2264, ext. 232, with any questions.

SUNDAY**MONDAY****TUESDAY****WEDNESDAY****THURSDAY****FRIDAY****SATURDAY**

**** Means with the Resident Services Department.**

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