# Resident Times Lorain Metropolitan Housing Authority

# Stay Committed to Safety!

Good neighbors look after each other. Crime prevention and safety is everyone's responsibility. Each one of us can help prevent crime by being alert and following some simple suggestions that you can use every day:

- Safe communities start with neighbors working together to keep themselves and each other safe. Get to know the people who live around you. Be aware of who belongs on and around your property and who does not.
- Never let anyone into your building or your unit unless you have invited them.
   Be aware of people hanging around entrances because they may reach for opening doors as you enter or exit.
- Never share your keys or fob with anyone else. Non-residents do not have the same level of concern for the security of your home that you do. Report lost keys and fobs immediately.
- Lock your doors and windows. Never go to sleep or leave with your doors and windows open. Use the peephole or look out of a window to see people who are outside of your home. Never open the door for anyone that you don't recognize.
- Be aware of your surroundings and use caution when you are alone, in poorly lit areas, or late at night.

- Residents assume full responsibility for their guests' behavior and actions while on LMHA property.
- If you or someone else is experiencing an emergency or in danger:

#### **CALL 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY!**

- Never approach a criminal. Never try to stop criminal activity. Remain in a safe location and report criminal activity.
- You can report criminal activity anonymously at www.lmha.org on the "Contact Us" page.
- You can also anonymously report criminal activity by completing LMHA's paper "Hot Spot" forms. You can get a Hot Spot form from LMHA's website or from your manager's office.
- If your development has one, consider joining the Resident Assistance Watch (RAW) team. RAW members receive community service hours while they volunteer to observe and report criminal activity. For more information or to join RAW contact Evelisse Atkinson, Resident Program Coordinator, at 440-288-7428. If you don't have a RAW team you could join a neighborhood watch program.

If we all work together we can keep our communities safer!

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#### LMHA OFFICES ARE CLOSED:

Monday, May 29

Tuesday, July 4

Thursday, July 20





#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Saturday, May 6 Cinco de Mayo Parade

Wednesday, May 17 through Friday, May 19 Green Thumb Plant Delivery

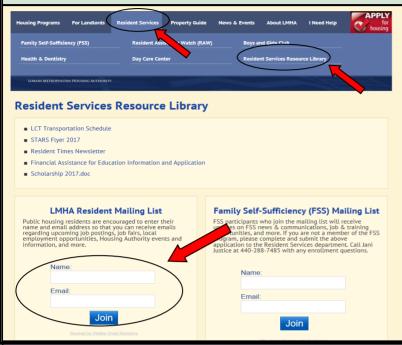
Saturday, June 17 Fatherhood Initiative

Tuesday, July 25 and Wednesday, July 26 Green Thumb Judging

Wednesday, August 23 Green Thumb Awards

#### **LMHA Resident Mailing List**

Do you want to receive up-to-date information about job fairs, employment opportunities, and LMHA information? Sign up at www.lmha.org on the Resident Services Resource Library tab.





For more information call Elizabeth, Resident Services, at 440-288-7437

Save your spot today! Seating is limited!





#### **Financial Assistance for Education**

LMHA has a financial aid fund that could help public housing residents with education costs including tuition, registration, lab fees, book fees, and supplies. For an application or additional information contact Resident Services:

Elizabeth Boardwine at 440-288-7437



### Financial Literacy Education Classes

Learn how to budget, repair your credit, and buy & maintain a home.

FREE CLASSES!

OPEN TO ANYONE WHO REGISTERS
The next set of 3 classes is on
July 12, 13, & 14, 2017 12:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For more information or to register, contact Dolly Justice at 440-288-7433 HCV Family Self-Sufficiency/ Homeownership Coordinator

#### Resident Services

LMHA's Resident Services Department works with individuals, families, and the community. The Resident Services Department is available to share information with you about community resources that may be able to assist you in achieving self-sufficiency.

Do you need assistance? Call Resident Services today! Elizabeth Boardwine 440-288-7437 - Evelisse Atkinson 440-288-7428

## Now Accepting Applications for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program

The sooner you sign up,

the sooner you can start <u>SAVING</u> money!
Contact Jani Justice, Public Housing FSS Case
Manager, at 440-288-7485.





