## **CARROLLTON HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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# RESIDENT NEWS UARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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While the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis continues, the Carrollton Housing Authority (CHA) remains committed to serving our community, as we've done for the past 70 years. Our main office is open to the public at limited capacity. We are working hard to ensure the health and wellbeing of our clients, staff, and the agency as a whole, while also remaining responsive to the needs of our community and the families we serve. We are able to support CHA clients in the following ways:

Rent Change Requests - If you've experienced a change in income, you may email, fax, or leave documentation at the main office drop box, located at 1 Roop Street. (Note: Rent change requests will be processed for the first of the month following verification of the change).

Resident Services - For clients in need of non-emergency support, service coordination, or social service referrals during this time, you may contact (770)834-2046 ext. 101 for help in connecting to needed resources. The CHA FSS Program is also an important resource to its program participants and their families during this time. They may be reached at the information below.



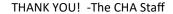
Annual Recertifications - For families who prefer, annual recerts are being conducted via telephone, mail, and electronically. Appointments are also being scheduled for in office visits. Please contact your case manager with any questions regarding these or any other visits to the office.



Maintenance Requests - CHA Maintenance Department is currently responding to all routine maintenance work orders, giving priority to emergency repairs. Tenants needing to place a work order are asked to call (770) 830-2718.

Rent Payments - For your convenience, CHA tenants can pay their rent over the phone by calling the main office or leaving payments in the drop box located on the exterior of the building. A \$2 merchant fee will be assessed.

We have resumed in-office services and appointments with restrictions and will continue to do our best in responding to inquiries as we receive them. Stay safe and we appreciate your patience during this time.



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# #InThisToyether

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#### FRIDAY, JULY 3, 2020

In observance of Independence Day!

MONDAY, **SEPTEMBER 7, 2020** 

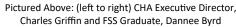
> In observance of Labor Day!

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#### **Congratulations to Dannee Byrd!**









We would like to celebrate FSS Graduate, Dannee Byrd, for successfully graduating from the FSS Program in February 2020 and on accomplishing her goals toward

self-sufficiency. Dannee persistently pursued her goals and was diligent in her efforts to accomplished the goals she set within the 5-year period of her participation.

Congratulations Dannee for your hard work, dedication, and determination pursuant to your well-deserved success!



We are excited to see what the next level brings!!!



# COVID-19 **PREVENTION**



Find creative ways to socially distance, release energy, and stay well:

- Read, do arts and crafts, exercise, meditate, and find other ways to positively reduce stress.
- Avoid playground equipment.
- Use online social networking.

## Steps to keep yourself safe and prevent the further spread of COVID-19:

- 1. Stay home unless absolutely necessary.
- 2. Wear masks or coverings over your mouth and nose outside the home. Avoid touching your face.
- 3. Keep space (6 feet or more) between yourself and others.
- 4. Regularly wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- 5. Cover your cough and sneezes.
- 6. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces including delivered packages.
- 7. Avoid gathering in groups more than 6.











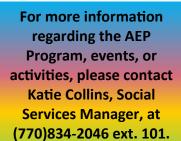


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During March, AEP had a Youth Development activity about hygiene. University of West Georgia students volunteered at the center for the activity of making hygiene bags and body scrubs with youth and staff.

AEP is conducting virtual programming at present and can't wait to see AEP youth face-to-face again, when its safe to do so. See you all soon!





Pictured above and left: AEP youth, staff, and UWG volunteers at the Achievement Center making hygiene bags.



The CHA offers every family the opportunity to learn how to attain or improve life skills and economic self-sufficiency through facilitation of our Building Opportunities for

Self-Sufficiency (B.O.S.S.) workshops, typically held every third Friday of each month.

Workshop topics vary each month and are free to attend. So grab a friend and join us as we help you enhance your skills and your future!

# All Workshops have been postponed!

For additional information, please contact (770)834-2046



Pre-COVID 19 photo of these precious little ones enjoying the Kidz Corner at the CHA!

Can't wait to see these smiling faces again...when the time is right.





- 1. Yachiyo Manufacturing
- 2. Printed Specialties, Inc.
- 3. Tanner Medical Center
- 4. SyncGlobal Telecom
- 5. Southwire Company
- 6. University of West Georgia
- 7. Sugar Foods Corporation
- 8. BoMetals, Inc.
- 9. Home Depot (Carrollton)



- 10. Blue Ridge Healthcare
- 11. Systems & Methods, Inc (SMI)
- 12. Haralson County Commissioners' Office
- 13. Pilgrim's Pride....and many more

#### FOR MORE INFO VISIT:

https://my.boothcentral.com/v/events/west-georgia-works-virtual-job-fair

# CURRENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



#### Goodwill Career Center

Job Fairs (678)839-5923 (Open to the public also)

#### Carrollton Menu

Current job listings

#### www.thecarrolltonmenu.com

Visit site any time to get up-to-date job listings for Carroll & surrounding areas.

#### Temporary Employment Agencies

Diversified Staffing Solutions: (678)838-2424
Elwood Staffing: (770)838-7001
Employment Plus: (770)830-6800
Randstad Staffing: (770)830-0800
Simos Insourcing Solutions: (678)796-2308

#### **Employment Websites:**

www.indeed.com www.monster.com www.dol.state.ga.us www.careerbuilder.com

#### **POSITIVE PHILOSOPHY**

"Make improvements, not excuses. Seek respect, not attention."

- Roy T. Bennett



# **DRIVE UP INSTRUCTIONS**

Pull up for supplies

Remain in your car

Receive one bag per child (max 3 per car)

Children to be present in car if possible

Masks & gloves recommended

Contact Regina D. Wells ginamaee@yahoo.com Deirdre Rouse dhaywood@westga.edu

Saturday July 18th 11am-1pm

Carrollton Upper Elementary School



## MAINTENANCE CORNER



A Message from our Maintenance Manager, Moreland Jackson Thornton III...

To say these past few months have been challenging for everyone is an understatement. We all have felt the stress that the Covid-19 virus has added to our community. Despite that, I am impressed with the extra effort our maintenance team has made to continue servicing our residents with the same care and efficiency that they have come to expect. A special shout-out goes to L.V, Marcus, Tommy, Jake, and Lisa who have cheerfully made the necessary scheduling and logistical adjustments required as we all deal with the current crisis.



Much appreciation goes to our tenants who are patiently enduring the major re-modeling process in the middle of everything else going on. Having to relocate for several weeks is a major adjustment even under normal circumstances. Also, the extra effort to clear the property of litter is noteworthy. Thank you all for doing your part to make your neighborhood the best it can be.

In order to help the maintenance department do their part better, we kindly ask our residents to notify us immediately when there is a problem such as a leaking pipe, a running toilet, the smell of gas, or any such signs of utilities malfunctioning. We can be reached by calling the main office during normal business hours. The number for after-hours emergency repairs is (770)830-2718. If we can correct small problems early, we

can keep them from becoming dangerous emergencies.

THANK YOU!

Once again, thanks to our staff and residents alike, as we each do our part to make our community an even better place to live!

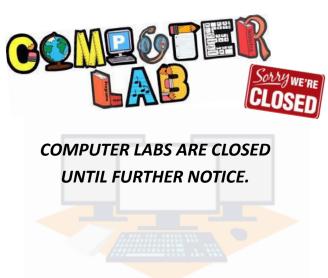
Protect yourself and your family by knowing <u>common symptoms</u> of COVID-19, such as:



- Fever or chills
- Diarrhea
- Difficulty breathing
- Shortness of breath
- Coughing, sneezing
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

If you suspect you have COVID-19, call a doctor or 911 right away. Stay away from others.





Have you submitted your census yet? Time is running out!

Goto

<u>my2020census.gov</u>to
complete your census
today – it only takes 10
minutes and can make a
\*\*BG\*\* impact on your
community!



## Resident Council Association

The Carrollton Housing Authority RCA is looking for outgoing, and highly involved leaders to join as a voice for their community. The purpose of the RCA is to provide a means of communication and fellowship to residents through monthly meetings, fundraisers and community outreach activities. It's also a great way to stay informed on what's going on in your community.

The RCA usually meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm at the Elder Circle Community Center, but meetings are currently postponed.

To join the RCA please contact Katie Collins, Social Services Manager, (770)834-2046 ext. 101 or by email at



mary@carrolltonhousingauthority.com



Ages 6 - 13 // FREE