

REMEMBER: If you are subscribed to cable service and you move - leave the equipment behind when removing your personal items. It is the property of the cable company. Thanks!

FHA Offices Will Be Closed

- Monday, January 1 - New Year's Day
- Monday, January 15 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Monday, February 19 - President's Day

(Office windows are closed)

- Thursday, January 25
- Thursday, February 22
- Thursday, March 28

*****IMPORTANT NOTICE*****

When you get your new or updated SSI or Social Security award letter, take it to Stanton Tower to Amanda, the FHA Tax Credit Specialist, so that she can make copies for your file. You may also mail a copy.
2600 N Clarkson St., Fremont, NE 68025
Thank you.

*******Water softener salt** will be added the **first Tuesday** of the month, **every quarter.*******

- Scheduled months:**
- January
 - April
 - July
 - October

*******Furnace filters** will be replaced on the **same schedule.*******

(schedule is subject to change at discretion of the Maintenance Director)

One complimentary ride per month!

As a resident of Hidden Brook Townhomes you can request the following *complimentary transportation service:*

One (1) ride per household, per month within the city and 2 miles within city limits to any location. Examples - medical appointments, business appointments, shopping and other trips. All vans are wheelchair accessible.

You must schedule a ride with the Fremont Transit Program, 402-459-2845, Mon - Fri - 8:30am - 4:00pm. You need to call at least 2 days ahead of your appointment time.

You need to call Becky at Gifford Tower to let her know the date you have scheduled your pickup. 402-727-4848.



RENT REMINDERS \$\$\$

- ◆ The rent is **due on the 1st** and **late after the close of business the 5th** day of each month.
- ◆ If the 5th falls on Saturday, rent is due in the office by close of business on Friday.
- ◆ If the 5th falls on Sunday, the **rent must be in the drop box before 8:00 a.m. of the 6th.**
- ◆ If the rent is *not paid on or before the 5th* day of the month, a *late payment charge* will be applied as follows: \$30.00 will be assessed for *payments made on the 6th through the 20th* day of the month.
- ◆ Payments made *on the 21st day and after* will be assessed at the rate of *an additional \$20.00 charge.*
- ◆ This *late charge is immediately due* as an addition to that month's rent and *must be paid before that month's rent will be considered to be paid in full.*

MAINTENANCE Emergencies

Maintenance Emergencies **During Business Hours: 402-727-4848**

Business Hours - 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. ~ Monday - Friday

Maintenance EMERGENCIES **After Business Hours or on Weekends:**

****Call Ed (Maintenance Supervisor) at 402-720-1264.**

If you have not heard back from Ed within 15 minutes, call Rita (Executive Director) at 402-720-9643.



EMERGENCIES:

Calls **MUST** be for (valid) emergencies only. **Tenants will be charged** for the call if the problem is **other than one of the following:**

- Loss of electric power (other than shut-off due to non-payment).
- Sewer problems.
- Broken water pipes (supply line) - **Major leak call Immediately.**
- If water drip is slow, place pan underneath to collect water and call office next business day. *Slow drips are not emergencies.*
- Furnace failure is an emergency during a severe cold spell.
- Air conditioner failure is an emergency during a severe extended hot spell.
- Refrigerator/freezer failure (do not overload refrigerator/freezer with food that will prohibit air flow which is needed for normal operation). *Management will not replace food lost from refrigerator/freezer failure or power outage.*

**** Remain by the phone in the event maintenance needs to contact you! ****

When a call is made after hours, be sure to leave your full name, address, phone number and nature of your problem. Without this important information, we cannot react to your maintenance problems efficiently. You must also be present when maintenance arrives to answer any questions regarding the "emergency".

LOCKOUTS — You need to call a locksmith.

Local Numbers:

- ◆ A-1 Lock Shop Key & Locksmith 402-720-2284 - Open 24 hours
- ◆ S and S Locksmith 402-941-1212

Beginning January 1, 2024, all cats and dogs need to be registered and licensed.

This is done at the Fremont Municipal Building, 400 E Military - 2nd floor.

You must take current rabies shot record receipt and/or tag to the FHA Office to be copied, when you receive them.

Thank you.



- * **Valentine's Day** is the second most popular day of the year for sending cards. Christmas is the first most popular. **TheholidaySpot**
- * About 1 billion Valentine's Day cards are exchanged each year.
- * Worldwide, over 50 million roses are given for Valentine's Day each year.
- * The heart is associated with Valentine's Day as it is considered the source of all human emotions.
- * More than 35 million heart-shaped boxes of chocolate will be sold for Valentine's Day.
- * Richard Cadbury invented the first Valentines Day candy box in the late 1800s.



Fremont Housing Agency CONTACT INFORMATION:

Business Hours: M - F 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Phone: 402-727-4848

Office Window Hours: M - F 9:00 am - 3:00 pm **Your Tax Credit Specialist:** Amanda - extension 4

After-hours & MAINTENANCE EMERGENCIES ONLY

Call: Maintenance Supervisor: Ed Phone: 402-720-1264,

If no response from Ed within 15 min. call: Executive Director: Rita 402-720-9643



FOR YOUR SAFETY — When walking, riding bikes, using walkers/power & wheel chairs, etc. *in the roadway areas* - remember to wear light colors or reflective gear and have reflectors on your equipment! YOU WANT TO BE VISIBLE TO THOSE WHO MAY NOT BE PAYING AS CLOSE ATTENTION AS THEY SHOULD BE!!

Fremont Housing Agency
2510 N Clarkson St
Fremont, NE 68025



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Interesting Things About New Year's

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Some lesser known facts from around the world:

- ◆ The first ever New Year celebrations took place back in 2000 BC by the Mesopotamians.
- ◆ Romans used to celebrate March 1st as New Year. There are still people who celebrate the eve in winter and summer according to their culture.
- ◆ On New Year eve, many people from the sections of United States eat black-eyed peas with a belief that they bring good luck in the coming year.
- ◆ There is this tradition called the Estonian practice where people eat 7, 9 or 12 meals on the New Year eve. The belief behind the tradition is that the meals they eat will give them the strength of that many people in the coming year.
- ◆ Denmark people throw dishes at the doorsteps of other people. The meaning behind this tradition is that it will bring many new friends to the owner of the doorsteps.
- ◆ In Japan, on the occasion of the New Year, bells are rung for 108 times in Buddhist Temples around the country. They do it as a sign of welcoming the New Year God named Toshigami.
- ◆ Greek people hang onions on their doors on the New Year eve as a tradition. They do it with a belief that it will bring good luck to the children in the house.
- ◆ On the 31st night of December, at the Australia's Sydney Harbour, the shoreline which is 40 miles long is jammed by more than million people. They gather there to watch the fireworks.
- ◆ New Year is not called as New Year in Belgium. They call it Sint Sylvester Vooravond.
- ◆ The name of the month January is derived from a two-faced God named Janus. The God has one face looking front and the other looking back.
- ◆ On the New Year day, Japanese eat long noodles with a belief that they will have long life.
- ◆ Pork is considered as a mandatory food on the New Year day by the people of Portugal, Hungary, Austria, and Cuba as they believe that it denotes prosperity.
- ◆ Dutch people follow the custom of burning Christmas trees and putting on fireworks on the New Year eve. The belief behind this tradition is that, burning Christmas trees denotes removing the old and putting on fireworks means welcoming the new.

We hope you enjoy reading these tidbits!