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**HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS**

Do you love where you live? Do you get excited to welcome people into your home or community? Community pride doesn't happen on accident. You have to really put in the effort on all fronts to combat apathy and cultivate pride. To feel pride, you have to have a stake in something. It says a lot when residents help in making sure that their community is clean and cared for. After all, it represents the people that live in it.

A clean and well-kept community will be a lot more attractive to residents and outsiders. You are encouraged to keep your homes and yards picked up. If you see trash on the ground, pick it up and dispose of it properly. Pulling a few weeds, washing your windows, using only minimal & tasteful outdoor decorations, and reporting any damages to the Fremont Housing Agency immediately are just a few ways of making improvements. Small tasks can make a big difference!

Pride in one's community causes things to change and positive changes will make things better for all that live there. Put your heart into it and you will have a place you're proud to call *Home*.

**\*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTICE\*\*\***

When you get your 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. 2600 N Clarkson St., Fremont, NE 68025  
 You may also mail Amanda a copy.  
*Thank you.*

**RENT REMINDERS \$\$\$**

- ◆ The rent is **due on the 1<sup>st</sup>** and **late after the close of business the 5<sup>th</sup> day of each month.**
- ◆ If the *5<sup>th</sup> falls on Saturday*, rent is due in the office by close of business *on Friday*.
- ◆ If the *5<sup>th</sup> falls on Sunday*, the **rent must be in the drop box before 8:00 a.m. of the 6<sup>th</sup>.**
- ◆ If the rent is *not paid on or before the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the month*, a *late payment charge* will be applied as follows: \$30.00 will be assessed for *payments made on the 6<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month.*
- ◆ Payments made *on the 21<sup>st</sup> 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.*



**\*\*\*\*\*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)*

**Tenant REMINDERS:**

**Smoke detectors need 9V and AA batteries.** Tenant needs to provide these and Maintenance will install.

**DO NOT disturb the mowing crew.** Let them do their job without interruptions. You can be helpful though, by removing anything that might be in their way.

**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.*

**\*\* 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



**Rentwise Class - Coming in Fall 2023**

**RentWise is a program to help renters obtain and keep rental housing and be successful renters through education.**

The class is *free to residents of low income housing, and open to the public for the cost of \$5.*

A certificate will be awarded upon completion of all the classes.

The RentWise **dates this fall are October 18th & 19th**, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Be sure to take part in this free and informative opportunity. **If you would be interested in attending or have any questions you are encouraged to call: Tina or Amanda @ 402-727-4848**



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**One complimentary ride per month!**

As a resident of Hidden Brook Townhomes you can request *one complimentary transportation ride per month within the Fremont City limits*. Examples - doctor, dentist, grocery, restaurant; etc.

Tickets for the ride are available through the Fremont Housing Agency and you may request one each month. **Call Becky at Gifford Tower for more information - 402-727-4848.**



The van ride service is through the **Fremont Transit Program** and you will need to call them to schedule your ride. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. You need to schedule an appointment for a ride at least 48 hours in advance. You must be ready 15 minutes prior to your pick-up time. The phone number is 402-459-2845. Visit the website at: fremontne.gov/984/Fremont-Transit-Program. If you have a "personal attendant" that needs to accompany you, they always ride free.

**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

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**Five Actions for Wellbeing**

The New Economics Foundation's review of the most up-to-date evidence suggests that **building the following five actions into our day-to-day lives is important for well-being:**

**Connect**

Connect with the people around you: family, friends, colleagues, and neighbors. Think of these connections as the cornerstones of your life and invest time in developing them. Building these connections will support and enrich you every day.

**Be Active**

Go for a walk or run, cycle, dance, play games, garden etc. Exercising makes you feel good. Most importantly, discover a physical activity you enjoy and that suits your level of mobility and fitness.

**Take Notice**

Be curious. Catch sight of the beautiful, remark on the unusual, notice the changing seasons, savor the moment, and whether you are walking to work, eating lunch, or talking to friends, be aware of the world around you and what you are feeling. Reflecting on your experiences will help you appreciate what matters to you.

**Keep Learning**

Try something new, rediscover an old interest, sign up for a course, take on a different responsibility at work, fix a bike, learn to play an instrument or how to cook your favorite foods. Set a challenge you will enjoy achieving. Learning new things will make you more confident as well as being fun.

**Give**

Do something nice for a friend, colleague, or a stranger: thank someone, smile, volunteer your time, join a community group, etc. Look out, as well as in. Seeing yourself as linked to the wider community can be incredibly rewarding and creates connections with the people around you.

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