# It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Spring......

### **USEFUL HOUSE CLEANING TIPS!**

- 1. BE SAFE! Never mix cleaning products, especially bleach and ammonia
- 2. Always read the instructions on cleaning supplies before you use them
- 3. Clear cobwebs
- 4. Dust all the woodwork and trim
- 5. Clean toilet and tank to be sure they are odor free
- 6. Dust ceiling fans
- 7. Wash windows and mirrors
- 8. Collect and throw out all trash
- 9. Wash down the refrigerator, including the top
- 10. Clean the oven & stovetop
- 11. Vacuum carpets thoroughly
- 12. Clean out closets/cabinets and get rid of excess items
- 13. Dust off heaters, air vents and air conditioners
- 14. Change furnace air filters
- 15. Wash all dishes and put them away
- 16. Hang/fold clothes/laundry and put away
- 17. Vacuum dead pests and their droppings
- 18. Dust exhaust fans in kitchen and bathroom
- 19. Defrost freezer
- 20. Clean any spilled food out of pantry and cabinets
- 21. Use baskets, totes and bins to organize smaller items



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**Attention:** If you are having **issues with your Landlord** *reach* out to Tina, your Section 8 Coordinator at 402-727-4848 ext. 3, for help in getting a solution.



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# **Earth Day History**

Earth Day seeks to highlight and promote efforts dedicated to the protection of the environment. As we enter the 21st century, we face many environmental crises including global warming, deforestation, endangered wildlife, shortages of potable water, and widespread pollution. These crises negatively affect our planet's resources, and they pose serious risk to our long-term lifestyles and health.



support. He hoped to have environmental protection included in the national political agenda. His efforts were rewarded later in July of 1970 when the United States Environmental Protection Agency was created. With it the came the passing of the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Endangered Species Acts.



Today, Earth Day is celebrated by billions of people around the world and is observed in over 190 countries. Worldwide, Earth Day celebrations utilize educational programs to inform people of ways that can help protect the environment and its natural resources. *It is observed annually on April 22nd*.

# The Fremont Housing Agency <u>Offices</u> Are Closed:

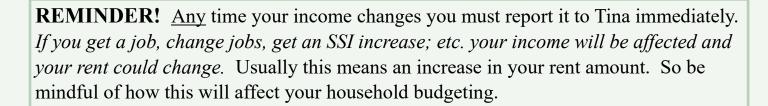
Monday, May 20

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(Office <u>windows</u> are closed) Thursday, April 27

Thursday, May 25

Thursday, June 22



# Tips On How to Be a Good Neighbor

Getting along well with your neighbors makes your community a happier and safer place to live. The key to being a good neighbor is clear and consistent communication. Introduce yourself to your neighbors and then stay in contact over time.

# **Being Respectful and Considerate**

Maintain and clean any shared spaces. If you live in a duplex, townhome, or apartment, you might end up sharing responsibility for a hallway, entrance, or yard with your neighbors. Do your part to keep these spaces as nice as possible by removing or carefully storing your personal items, such as bikes; etc. Pick up any trash that you see, too.

Put your trash out at the right time and day. To keep your neighbors happy and your home clean, take out your trash according to the local schedule. Also, use the correct trash containers and follow any restrictions regarding chemicals or oversized items.

Keep your pets quiet and under control. Closely follow all of your local laws regarding pet ownership. Have your animals fully vaccinated, licensed, and on a leash when in your front yard or neighborhood. If you have dogs, try to curb outside barking and noisiness. If they persist in barking, then bring them inside.



## **Getting to Know Your Neighbors**

Introduce yourself. If you've recently moved in, go over to your neighbors, and say "hello." If you've lived in an area for a while, then take the initiative and reach out to new arrivals yourself.

Do your neighbors a favor when possible. If you see your neighbor struggling with a package, offer to help them. If you are helpful to your neighbors, don't feel ashamed when you need to reach out for assistance as well.

# **Communicating Openly with Your Neighbors**

Stay calm when talking with your neighbor. If your neighbor comes to you with a concern or problem, it's important to respond calmly and rationally. If you start to get frustrated, take a few deep breaths before answering. You can also ask to postpone the conversation until you have a bit of time to think.

Deal with any problems face to face. If you have any issue that involves your neighbor, it's important to act fast. Go to them directly and tell them what is going on. Ask for their help in finding a solution that will work for both of you. Giving your neighbor a chance to come up with a solution is better than immediately reaching out to local authorities.

Give your neighbors notice before parties. If you plan on having a large group of people come over, it never hurts to give your neighbors a heads up. This lets them determine if they'll need to park elsewhere or move their cars for the night. It also alerts them that some 'new' people will be in the neighborhood.



# School's Out!! Summer Safety Tips

# Grill Safety

When using it, keep your grill 25 feet away from buildings, vehicles, etc. Return 'cold' grill to garage/storage

Make sure no flammable items are near the grill

Never leave hot grill unattended

Clean your grill regularly Keep a fire extinguisher nearby

#### Lawnmower Safety

Pick up toys, rocks & debris from the yard before mowing Keep pets and children indoors

Wear heavy shoes when mowing, not flip flops or sandals

Don't mow a wet lawn

Use eye protection

Keep mower in good working order

#### Driving Safety

Use caution when driving in inclement weather

Use turn signals

Always turn on headlights when driving at night or in rain

Keep a safe following distance

Avoid distracted driving & keep your attention on the road

#### **Pedestrian Safety**

Walk on the sidewalk & not on the street

Cross at crosswalks & avoid jaywalking

Look both ways before crossing the street

Follow traffic laws

Wear bright or reflective clothing when walking at night

Make sure young children are with an adult

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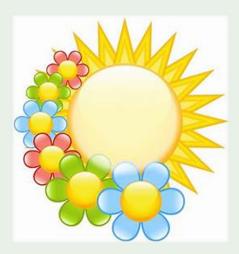
**General Assistance** (402) 727-2731

Health & Human Services

(402) 727-3200 **LifeHouse** 

(402)-721-3125

**Salvation Army** (402) 721-0930



# Calendar - Dates to Keep in Mind

Saturday, April 1 - April Fool's Day

Friday, April 7 - Good Friday

Sunday, April 9 - Easter

Tuesday, April 18 - Holocaust Remembrance Day

Saturday, April 22 - Earth Day

Friday, May 5 - Cinco De Mayo Sunday, May 14 - Mother's Day

Saturday, May 20 - Armed Forces Day

Monday, May 29 - Memorial Day (FHA Offices Closed)

Wednesday, June 14 - Flag Day Sunday, June 18 - Father's Day

Monday, June 19 - Juneteenth (FHA Offices Closed)



# Fremont Housing Agency's Mission Statement

"The mission of the Fremont Housing Agency is to be a leading, innovative, and affordable housing agency dedicated to assisting low to moderate income families, elderly, and disabled residents who are striving to improve the quality of their lives through independent living or self-sufficiency."

