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Friendship Court NEWSLETTER

October 2020

Friendship Court Apartments

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Charlottesville, Va 22902

Office Hours

9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Monday-Friday (by
appointment)

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Construction Start Delay

Due to coronavirus, Piedmont Housing Alliance is now targeting a December start for phase 1 construction at Friendship Court.

Construction was originally expected to start in spring 2020. With the start delay, completion is now expected in mid-2022.

The Friendship Court Advisory Committee was previously alerted of the anticipated delays and continues to meet regularly virtually. Piedmont Housing's real estate development team continues to work to ensure that this initial delay does not impact timing for phase 2 construction.

As we continue to navigate a project of this magnitude during a global pandemic, it is important that updates are clearly communicated. Beginning in late 2020/early 2021 we will begin delivering monthly construction updates to all community members and schedule quarterly community meetings.

Piedmont Housing Alliance Welcomes Director of Community Management

We are pleased to welcome Bernitta Johnson as Piedmont Housing Alliance's new Director of Community Management. This position was formerly the Regional Community Manager.

Bernitta comes to the Charlottesville area from Alabama and has over 20 years of affordable housing experience.

Stay tuned for more information on welcoming Ms. Johnson and opportunities to safely engage following social distancing protocols.





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Snacks for Kids – Monday through Thursday, starting at 2:30.

Charlottesville City Schools Lunch Program - Monday-Friday
(11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.)

City Garden at Friendship Court

- First Friday of each month

Computer Lab Use during COVID-19

- Open for emergencies only (i.e. job related)
- Must book a day in advance – no same day usage
- Monday-Thursday, from 11am-1pm. (Subject to change)
- Masks and Handwashing are MANDATORY for entry into building and lab.
- Call Center at 434-295-9794 to speak with center staff to book appt. No voicemails or emails.
- Must know what you are doing as help from staff is not permitted due to social distancing.

New and Improved “Or she says...” Girls Mentoring Group

- Virtual Meeting
- All girls, ages 8-18, who are interested, please come see Ms. Jessica in the community center for more information – Wear your masks please.
- Starting mid-October 2020

Grab and Go Dinners beginning Monday, October 5

Charlottesville Parks and Rec will start their grab and go dinners on Monday, October 5th from 4-7pm at the community center. This will take place every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Social distancing and masks are required.

Vote 2020

Ms. Myrtle Houchens is available to assist with voter registration absentee ballot requests, Monday through Thursday in the community center from 4 – 5 p.m.

Deadlines for November 3rd General Election

10/13 – *Deadline to register to vote or update and existing registration*

10/23 - *Deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed to you*

10/31 – *Deadline to request absentee ballot by appearing in person*

YOU ARE INVITED!
or so she SAYS...
GIRLS MENTORING GROUP

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We are starting our mentoring program in October and Ms. Jessica wants you to be a part of the conversation. Starting out, we will be meeting virtually.

VIRTUAL MEETING

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If you would like to be a part of conversation, please come see Ms. Jessica at the center for the date, time, and log on information.

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via Google Meet