

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR UPDATE

MAY 2025



COMMUNITY NEWS

As the school year winds down and summer approaches, our community is filled with excitement and anticipation. With Memorial Day just around the corner, we pause to honor the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation- a moment of reflection that holds deep meaning for our military families. At the same time, the end of the school year brings well deserved celebrations for students, teachers and parents alike. As summer begins, we look forward to a season filled with family time, community events, and opportunities to relax and recharge. Let's make the most of this special time together while remembering the values that unite us.

OUR COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD NEEDS YOU!

We would love to see you take an active part in making a difference to our families.

Your feedback in these meetings helps us make decisions about the property and understand our families' views on important subjects.

If interested, please stop by the Main Base or East Base Community Center, Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm or call (318) 395-6689.



COMMUNITY TRASH SCHEDULE

Neighborhood	Heritage Heights	Liberty Heights	Main Base
Lawn Service	Monday - Tuesday	Monday - Wednesday	Monday - Wednesday
Trash Service	Monday	Monday	Tuesday
Recycling Service	Last Monday of the Month	Last Monday of the Month	Last Tuesday of the Month

<u>FIRST RESPONDER APPRECIATION BASKET</u>

We will be gathering individually wrapped goods for our first responder heroes from May 1st to May 14th. On May 15 we will be delivering baskets to our First Responders as a token of appreciation for all that they do.

Donation Collection: May 1st - May 14th - Delivery Thursday, May 15th **Donations Drop-Off** Locations: Main Base and East Side Offices

Donation suggestions: Chips, Dried Fruit, Cookies, Snack Cakes, Peanuts, Goldfish,

Crackers, Beef Jerky, Protein Bars, Water, Juice, Energy Drinks and Soda

First responders are brave individuals who rush to the scene of emergencies. They include firefighters, paramedics, police officers, and other emergency personnel. Their roles are crucial in saving lives and ensuring public safety.





COMMUNITY REMINDERS

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

STAR WARS TRIVIA NIGHT

Date: Friday, May 2nd **Time:** 6pm - 7pm

Location: Main Base Office

Join us for a evening of Star Wars themed trivia

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Date: Saturday, May 3rd

Time: 8am

Map will be sent out for all participating families.

CINCO DE MAYO NACHO BAR

Date: Monday, May 5th **Time:** 11am - 12pm

Location: Main Base Office

Come out celebrate Cinco De Mayo with use and enjoy some nacho's

with a bevy of toppings to choose from

MUFFINS WITH MOM

Date: Saturday, May 10th **Time:** 9am - 10am

Location: East Side Office

Barksdale Family Housing wants to recognize and celebrate all the Moms living with us, so come start Mother's Day weekend with a

Saturday morning sweet treat.

SCHOOLS OUT SUMMER BASH!

Date: Wednesday, May 21st

Time: 4pm - 6pm

Location: East Side Community Pool

Join us as we kick off the start of summer with a bounce

house, food trucks, treats and games!

PET OF THE MONTH

Date: Monday, May 12th - Friday, May 16th

Location: Barksdale Family Housing Facebook page

Share a photo of your Fur Baby on our Facebook page for a chance to win

a prize.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Date: Monday, May 19th - Friday, May 23rd

Location: Barksdale Family Housing Facebook page

We know many of our residents have a green thumb and we want to recognize them. Share a picture of your beautiful lawn on our Facebook

page for the chance of winning a prize.

















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UPCOMING INSTALLATION EVENTS

NATIONAL PHYSICAL FITNESS MONTH

May is National Physical Fitness and Sports Month - a great time to get your body moving! **Click Here** for a list of events being held this month. Want more information or have questions call (318) 456-8359.

SAFETY TIPS

Pool Rules Reminder

Lets all work together to make the pool enjoyable for everyone!

THERE WILL BE NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY AT THE POOL COMPLEX.

- 1. This pool is open to Tenants of the Community who have been assigned a Pool Pass/Key Fob and their guests. Pool yard gates may not be propped open or otherwise rendered inoperable, even temporarily.
- 2. Pool operating hours will be established and published in the community newsletter prior to the summer months, and are subject to change without notice. No one will be allowed admittance to the pool complex (which includes, without limitation, the pool, dressing rooms, shower areas and other associated pool facilities) unless the pool is officially open. No trespassing is allowed.
- 3. No more than two (2) guests per home are allowed to use the pool at any time.
 All guests must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years of age or older, and Tenants must remain at the pool with their guests for the entire duration of their guests' visit to the pool.
- 4. Diving is strictly prohibited.
- 5. No running or horseplay in pool area. Any person that behaves in a manner that jeopardizes the safety and health of himself/herself or others, or that uses abusive or profane language, is subject to expulsion from the pool complex.
- 6. Do not play or swim near drains or suction outlets.
- 7. Spitting, blowing of nose, and similar behavior is strictly prohibited in pool. Do not swallow pool water.
- 8. Do not swim in the water if you have had diarrhea in the past two weeks.
- 9. People suspected of having a communicable disease are prohibited from entering the pool.
- 10. People with skin disorders, bandages, open wounds, eye, nose or mouth discharge are not allowed in the pool and may be refused entrance to the pool area.
- 11. Smoking and alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the pool grounds. Intoxicated Tenants and/or guests will be asked to vacate the premises.
- 12. Any minor or non-swimmer (regardless of age) must be accompanied by a guardian 18 years of age or older. Each guardian may accompany a maximum of three (3) persons under the age of 18 at one time.
- 13. Children who are not potty trained must wear swim diapers while in the pool. Diapers may only be changed in the restrooms. The pool complex will not provide swim diapers.
- 14. Tenants and guests must use the shower provided before entering the pool.
- 15. Food and drink should only be consumed at the pool-side tables. No glass in pool area. All waste papers must be deposited in designated receptacles.
- 16. Inflatable rafts, water wings/floaties and toys are not permitted in the pool (based on guidance from the CDC).
- 17. Animals, with the exception of service animals, are only allowed outside of the fenced pool area.
- 18. Only family-friendly and low-volume music is allowed in the pool area.







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- 19. Children under the age of 6 or non-swimmers (regardless of age) needing flotation devices may only wear US Coast Guard-approved life vests in the pool and must be within arm's reach of an adult guardian 18 years of age or older at all times. The pool complex will not provide US Coast Guard-approved life jackets.
- 20. All Tenants and guests must dry off completely (bathing suits and skin) before entering the Community Center.
- 21. Tenants are responsible for the conduct of their guests.
- 22. All patrons within the swimming pool area must be attired in swimming apparel; cut-off shorts and shirts are not permitted.
- 23. Use of sunscreen, limited sun exposure and frequent hydration are strongly encouraged.
- 24. The Community Manager is not responsible for stolen or lost articles. Any items left unattended will be removed by management.
- 25. Removal of the pool furniture or rescue equipment will be considered theft

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Over the past several months our team has been bustling with activity as numerous improvement projects have taken shape. These efforts have greatly enhanced the quality of life for our residents and reflect a strong commitment to maintaining a welcome environment for our military families.

COMPLETED PROJECTS - PLAYGROUNDS

We upgraded or replaced and opened 3 new playgrounds in April including:

- Charleston Playground
- Bossier Playground
- Bennington Playground
- Mathies Playground

We would like to thank the Col McInnish and everyone who attended out April 16th playground Grand Opening.

PROJECTS UNDERWAY

Tree Project is underway on Main Base. Watch for our vendors working diligently on base to trim and remove trees

Pressure Washing has begun on the East Side. Watch for updates from your RSS Team.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

- Exterior Painting
- Concrete Repairs
- Vacant Home Renovations

We appreciate thank everyone for your participation in the 2025 Tenant Satisfaction Survey. These projects and many more are a result of prior TSS Surveys.

If you have already contacted our local Management and Housing office team and are not satisfied with the outcome, or if you have words of praise to share, we encourage you to reach out to our senior management.

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