

# COMMUNITY DIRECTOR UPDATE

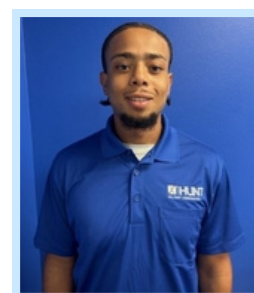
**AUGUST 1, 2025**



## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Holiday Office Hours** – Community Offices will be **closed on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**, in observance of the Labor Day holiday. We will **reopen at 8 AM, Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>**. If you have an urgent or emergency maintenance-related issue, please call (318) 395-6689.

**We would like to welcome** and introduce Jordan Stewart, a new member of the Barksdale Family Housing team. Jordan is a Maintenance Technician who loves working with HVAC systems. In his free time, he is a drummer and gamer.



### Interested in joining the Community Advisory Board?

Joining the Community Advisory Board is a great way for you to shape the place you call home.

### Top 5 reasons why you should join:

- **Make a Difference Where You Live** – Use your voice to represent fellow residents and share thoughtful feedback with housing leadership, helping shape improvements and decisions that directly impact the quality of life in the community.
- **Build Connections** – Get to know neighbors and staff while working together to create a more engaged and supportive living environment.
- **Stay Informed** – Be the first to hear about upcoming projects, changes, and opportunities, and help communicate those updates with your community.
- **Develop Leadership Skills** – Gain experience in communication, planning, and problem-solving, which can be used for personal growth or future leadership opportunities.
- **Help Shape the Future of Our Community** – Your ideas and input can influence real decisions and improvements that make daily life better for everyone who calls this neighborhood home.

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 for more information.

## COMMUNITY REMINDERS

**Mowing Reminders:** To help keep our community looking its best, regular lawn service is scheduled throughout the week.

### Please keep these tips in mind:

- Those with a fenced backyard are responsible for maintaining their grass to an acceptable height level of no longer than two to three inches and must bag and dispose of all yard waste in their trash receptacles.
- Place any yard furniture, toys, decorations, garden hoses, and lights on concrete patios to prevent damage.
- Lawns need to be free of pet waste.
- Mowing schedules may vary due to weather—watch for updates from your community office.

Thank you for helping maintain a beautiful and safe environment for everyone!

## COMMUNITY LAWN & TRASH SCHEDULE

NEIGHBORHOOD	Heritage Heights	Liberty Heights	Main Base
<b>Lawn Service</b>	Monday - Tuesday	Monday - Wednesday	Wednesday - Friday
<b>Trash Service</b>	Monday	Monday	Tuesday

**Bulk Trash Disposal**, including moving boxes, use the dumpster at the Main Base Maintenance Shop, 231 Rickenbacker. **For East Side** - Dumpster for bulk trash located to the left of the East Side shoppette across the street. There are 52 brown recycling containers on BAFB for paper products, but all boxes must be flattened.

**No Hazardous waste materials of any kind can be placed in the dumpster. These materials include:**

- Paint or paint cans
- Liquids, including oil or flammable/combustible fluids
- Tires
- Batteries, or Electronics (TVs, computers etc.)
- Appliances

To inquire about how to dispose of any hazardous waste, contact your community team at (318) 395-6689. If you have any large or gently used items to dispose of, please consider donating to a local thrift store or to Airman's Attic located on Main Base. Your trash could be another person's treasure.

## RESIDENT REVIEWS

- ★ "Both the house and the support you all/Hunt provided me have been OUTSTANDING!!"
- ★ "The technician was great!"
- ★ "It was a super-fast response time to my request, and the technician was very skilled and courteous. I would give him more than 5 stars if I could."
- ★ "Another great job from the Barksdale-Hunt maintenance team."
- ★ "Quick response and easily identified/remedied an electrical issue."

## MAINTENANCE TIPS

**Summer Heat & Your AC** - During high heat, AC units may struggle to keep up and can freeze or shut down. They're designed to cool about 20°F below the outside temp—so if it's 95°F out, your home might not hit 72°F even if the unit runs nonstop. Dirty coils, low refrigerant, or poor airflow make cooling harder. To prevent issues, change your air filter monthly. Contact your community office to pick one up.



## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

While hurricane season historically begins June 1<sup>st</sup>, storms form in the tropics from August through November. It is important to make a plan ahead of time to ensure that you and your family are safe during and after the storm.

### Your plan should include:

- Write down emergency phone numbers, keep them on the refrigerator or in a central location, and program those numbers into your cell phone.
- Prepare an emergency supply kit that includes:
  - Water (plan on 1 gallon per person for at least 3 days)
  - Food (at least a 3-day supply of non-perishable food)
  - Flashlight (and extra batteries)
  - First-aid kit and personal items
  - An emergency supply of medicines
  - Copies of personal documents
  - Cell phone charger
- Locate the nearest shelter and those that allow pets if you are a pet owner.
- Depending on your family's requirements, you may need to include medical-care items, baby supplies, pet supplies, and other things, such as an extra car and house key.

For FEMA's full emergency supply checklist, go to [FEMA Checklist](#).

## SAFETY TIPS

Studies have shown that even on mild days in the 70s, the temperature inside a parked vehicle can rapidly rise to a dangerous level for children, pets, and even adults. Leaving the windows slightly open does not significantly decrease the heating rate.

**HMC urges you to review the tips below from the National Weather Service to keep you and your family safe. For more tips like these, visit [Weather.gov](#).**

- Touch a child's safety seat and safety belt before placing the child inside to ensure it's not too hot.
- Never leave a child unattended in a vehicle, even with the windows down.
- Always make sure children have left the car when you reach your destination. Don't leave sleeping infants in the car for any reason.

### School Bus Safety Reminder – Let's keep our kids safe!

As the school year gets underway, it's a great time to review important school bus safety tips to help protect the children in our community. Whether you're a parent, student, or neighbor, a few extra moments of awareness can make all the difference.

#### Drivers—Please Remember:

- Stop for the bus when lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended. Never pass a bus that's loading or unloading children.
- Slow down in school zones and watch for children who may dart into the road unexpectedly.
- Stay alert near bus stops, especially during pick-up and drop-off hours.

#### For Families and Students:

- Arrive at the bus stop at least five minutes early.
- Stand back from the curb until the bus comes to a full stop.
- Remind kids to stay seated, keep the aisle clear, and follow the driver's instructions.



Thanks for doing your part to keep our neighborhood a safe place for every child!



## UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



**Date:** Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
**Location:** East Side Community Center

NNO is a national community-building initiative that promotes police and community partnerships, helping communities become more caring places to live.

### PET OF THE MONTH



**Date:** August 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** All Day  
**Location:** [Facebook](#)

We are on the hunt for our next Pet of the Month winner! Go to the Barksdale Family Housing Facebook page and share a photo of your pet in the Pet of the Month event to be entered to win!

### YARD OF THE MONTH



**Date:** August 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** All Day  
**Location:** [Facebook](#)

Barksdale Family Housing is on the lookout for our next Yard of the Month winner! This is our way of recognizing residents who take pride in their outdoor spaces and help make our community more beautiful every day.

### COMMUNITY YARD SALE



**Date:** Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** All Day  
**Location:** [Facebook](#)

Get ready to clear out the clutter and discover new treasures. Whether you're hoping to sell gently used items or find something new to love, this event is a great way to connect with neighbors and support sustainable living.

## UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

### GLOFESTS

**Date:** Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>  
**Time:** 7:30 PM – 10:00 PM  
**Location:** Riverview Park

Join the Shreveport Regional Arts Council (SRAC) for GloFest. Enjoy light shows on the Bakowski Bridge of Lights, an arts market, food trucks, and performances by Spinner Entertainment.



### BOSSIER CITY FARMERS MARKET

**Date:** Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
**Location:** Slocum Village Community Center, 102 Bern St.

The market features over 75 vendors offering a variety of local fresh produce and food trucks of diverse cuisines. Enjoy handmade products, baked goods, live music, and activities like face painting. The event is pet-friendly!



*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.*

**Adrianne Rainey – Community Director**

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					01 GloFest	02 Bossier City Farmers Market
03	04 National Night Out	05	06 Root Beer Float Day	07	08	09 Bossier City Farmers Market
10	11 Pet of the Month	12	13	14	15	16 Community Yard Sale National Airborne Day
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