

Housing Authority- City of Sumter NEWSLETTER

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A Warm, Summer Hello from Sumter Housing Authority

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Upcoming Events:

June 17: Residents Meeting @5pm
July 6- SHA Office CLOSED
July 23: Backpack Giveaway
August 11: First Day of School

What is Summer Solstice?

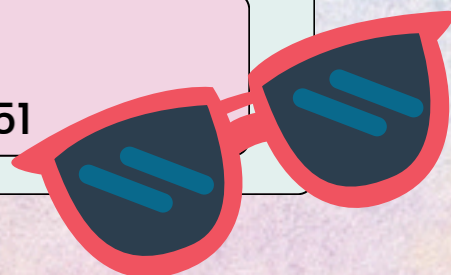
The 2026 summer solstice in the Northern Hemisphere occurs on June 21 at 4:24 AM EDT, marking the official first day of summer. It is the longest day of the year, characterized by maximum sunlight and the shortest night, caused by the Earth's 23.5° tilt toward the Sun.

Rent payments:

Rent is due by the 5th business day otherwise there is a \$25 late fee. We don't accept partial payments. Any questions please call (803)-774-7301

Work Orders:

FRONT DESK-803-774-7301
EMERGENCY NUMBER: 866-744-3951



Reminders:

Utility Checks:

The checks are mailed on the **FIRST BUSINESS DAY** of the month. If you have not received your check after 10 business days, then you may call to let us know and we will look into it. Residents, who receive utility check, have the opportunity to have the checks sent directly to the utility company. Contact the property manager if you are interested.

Pest Control:

If you are having problems with pests, please call immediately so that we may help you take care of the problem. Not allowing them in your unit is a lease violation.

Maintenance:

Maintenance is always on your side. Call us for all your repairs. Remember – repairs may result in a fee depending on the cause. Maintenance needs a work order to enter your unit to fix a problem.

Trash:

As stated in your lease, it is the resident's responsibility to maintain the area around their unit. This includes picking up all trash, even if you feel it does not belong to you. Any trash, glass, paper, etc., should be picked up regularly. Also, grease should not be discarded outside of your unit. A charge of \$35 will be added to your account for violations.

Resident Advisory Board

Get involved and represent your property by joining the RAB board. Be the voice for your community! We have 1 spot open for Friendship and South Sumter. Please call Resident Service Katlyn Fahl if interested at (803) 774-7312

Necessary Paperwork

Please be sure you are signing and returning all requested documents and forms! Paperwork must be returned by the deadline listed to avoid a lease violation. Contact the office with any questions!

Income Changes

All changes in household income must be reported in writing within 10 days. To report changes, call the office and request an interim packet. Return packet with all necessary documents as soon as possible. Changes include, new employment, loss of job, increase/decrease in child support, disability, etc. Failure to report income will result in owing money to the Housing Authority



Housekeeping 101



1. **PRIORITIZE** – Start with one room and finish that room before moving on to the next
2. Get the whole family involved – assign tasks and chores
3. If you take it out, put it away (dishes, toys, clothes, etc.)
4. Make your beds each morning – teach your kids to make their beds as well
5. Keep basic cleaning supplies close to where you use them
6. Declutter each room – What is trash? What can be given away?
7. Keep up with laundry – a load a day keeps the laundry at bay
8. Do a 15-minute nightly clean-up before going to bed each night
9. If you have a pet, you need to report it and pay \$100 deposit. they will need to be fixed and vaccinated.

NOTICE

**Good
housekeeping
is essential
to safety**

Tips & Tricks

- Do not bleach the floors
- Keep stove top and oven clean and free of debris and grease
- Make bathroom cleanliness a priority!

NO SMOKING!

Public Housing must be smoke free per the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Per policy, smoking will not be allowed within 25 feet of Sumter Housing Authority owned structures. This policy is not only for the resident and applies to all individuals on Sumter Housing owned properties. Please be advised, all residents will be responsible for the actions of themselves as well as those of his or her guests.



CONGRATULATIONS



TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!

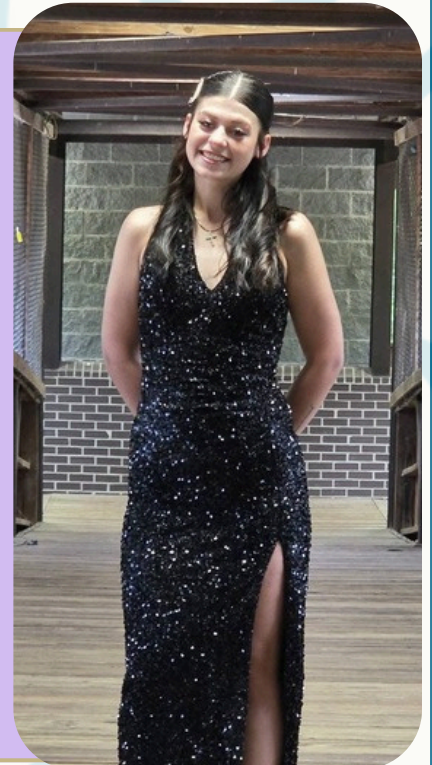
Deandre Richardson

Mr. Richardson is graduating from Ragin Prep Christian Academy. His favorite thing about his senior year was his English teacher, who took the time to thoroughly explain assignments and break things down for her students. He will miss the teachers and will reminisce of winning the basketball championship. Good luck in welding school!



Danika Power

Ms. Power is graduating from Sumter High. Her favorite thing about her senior year was getting close to her teachers. One thing she will miss are the administration staff and principals. She is wanting to become a criminal investigator or be a childcare teacher. However, after high school, she will be going to college in hopes to study criminal forensics. Good luck in college!



Sumter Housing Authority Presents:

Resident Quarterly Meeting

with presentation by Melody Williams
from EBEC Home Care Companions

Where: Sumter Housing Authority

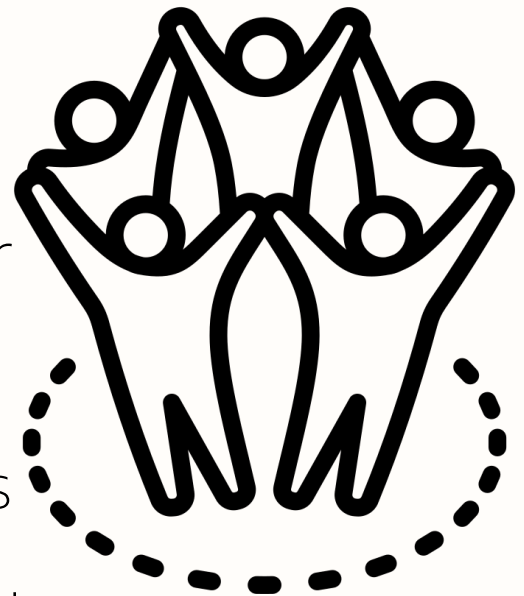
15 Caldwell St.

Sumter, SC 29150

When: Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 5:00pm

All Residents Welcomed!

Please join us and voice your
concerns regarding your
property and community, as
well as know your community
resources!



K. Williams- Deputy Director

R. Byrd- Property Manager

W. Andrews- Assist. Manager

K. Fahl- Resident Services

Dont Forget!

- Get Your visitor's passes for your overnight guests before our offices close for the holidays.
- Please make sure there is no trash outside of your residence.
- Please make sure guests are aware of our no smoking policy!

Summer Events

- **Fourth Fridays Concert Series**-Downtown Sumter, SC- Food Trucks/Vendors Available, cold brews for sale, free books for the kids, popcorn and cotton candy for sale, Downtown restaurants will be open for dine-in and take-out
 - May 22 – Chris Taylor & The Rumor
 - June 26 – Cody Webb
 - July 24 – Honey & New Era
 - August 28 – Level 10 Live Band & Show
 - September 25 – Sole Purpose
- **Mental Health Matters: Magic Show and Carnival Extravaganza**- Patriot Hall Sumter, SC- June 26-27- Multiple Time Slots.
- **Crab Feast**- Sumter Original Brewery, Sumter, SC. Tickets for event on Eventbrite



Surviving Summer



01

STAY HYDRATED
Bring a refillable water bottle and drink regularly, especially during outdoor activities like exploring Swan Lake Iris Gardens.

02

DRESS SMART
Light-colored, breathable clothes, wide-brimmed hats and sun block to protect yourself from the sun.

03

STAY IN THE SHADE
Take breaks under shady trees or covered spots. Avoid outdoor activities during peak heat hours between 10 AM - 4 PM.

04

COOL DOWN SPOTS
Look for air-conditioned spaces like museums & shops. Visit our Aquatics Center and parks with splash pads.

05

WATCH FOR HEAT ILLNESS SIGNS
Look out for dizziness, headache, nausea, confusion. If symptoms hit, get to a cool place and seek help immediately.



Summer Ideas



Day Trips From Sumter:

- Myrtle Beach, SC- 90 miles- 2 hour drive
- Kiawah Island, SC- 130 mile- about a 2.5 hour drive
- Hilton Head Island, SC- 144 miles- 2.5 hour drive
- Beaufort, SC-125 miles- 2 hour drive
- Charleston, SC- 106 miles- under a 2 hour drive

Local Day Activities

- Swan Lake Iris Gardens
- Patriot Park
- Paint at Sip & Gogh
- Sumter county Library
- Bowling at Gamecock Lanes
- Sumter Aquatic Center
- Bernie Hope Center- Splash Park
- Neptune Island Waterpark



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After Hours Emergency Number

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