

HHCDA - CHRONICLE

"Our work goes beyond housing construction."



A pair of hands is shown from a top-down perspective, gently cupping a small, vibrant green seedling with three leaves. The seedling is rooted in a small mound of dark, rich soil. The background is a soft, out-of-focus sunset or sunrise, with warm golden light and a blurred horizon. The overall mood is one of care, growth, and environmental stewardship.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE GARDEN

Ask us how to start your compost pile and how to seed save.

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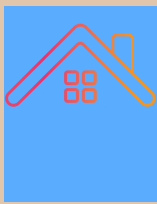
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TENANT SERVICES

Helping families with affordable housing.

Tenant Services Supervisor - Patti Emery . 608.374.1245 x 18813

Annual Re-Certification



When it comes to recertification, tenants are encouraged to attend the yearly meeting with staff to discuss any changes that have occurred. It's important to come prepared with current income verification for all adults in the household and any necessary paperwork that was sent beforehand. By working together, we can ensure a smooth process and continue to create a safe and welcoming community for all tenants.

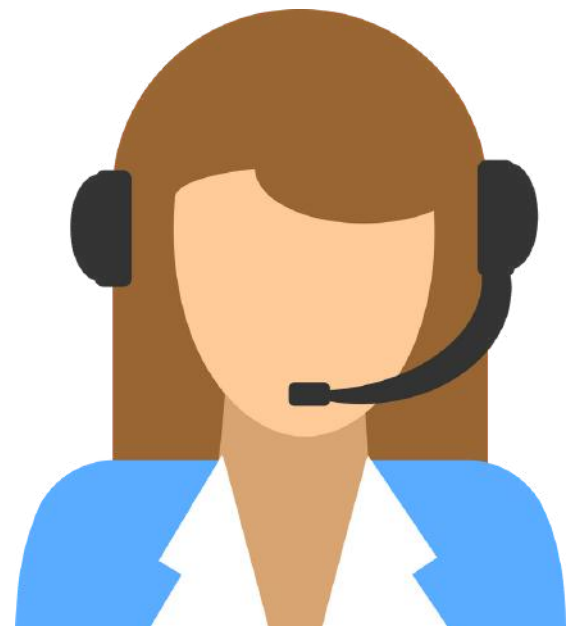
Contact Tenant Services to schedule your re-certification today.

Tenant Services Specialists

Brenda Rave - 18826

Dawn Wessels - 18818

"We're here to help you"



Work Orders

It's important not to overlook minor repairs. You can easily request a work order by visiting HHCDA.com or by dialing 608.374.1245 x 18815 to speak with Romona Manning.

Eligible Renter

The HHCDAs give top priority to the Ho-Chunk Preference, followed by all Federally Recognized Tribes. Wait lists are maintained for each district. To learn about availability and eligibility for housing, please contact Tenant Services.

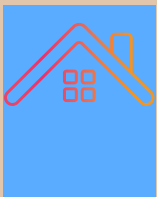


Post-Secondary Rental Assistance

Did you know HHCDAs offer rental assistance to Higher Education Students.

The HHCDAs offer rental aid to qualified households with an adult member pursuing higher education. This program supports low to moderate-income AIAN households with their rent, as outlined in the Indian Housing Plan.

To determine your eligibility, please contact us as soon as possible. You can reach out to Randall Mann, our Tenant Services Occupancy Specialist, by calling 608.374.1245 x 18817.



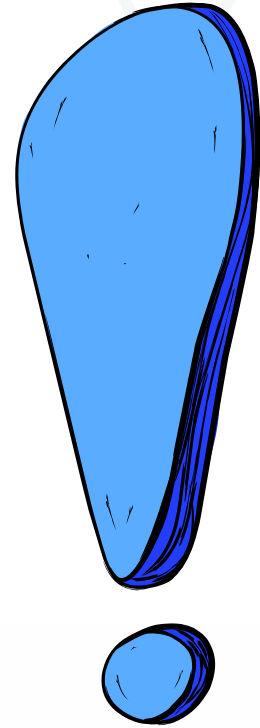
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The inside scoop
Recertification/Income Update
made easier.

You can use Form 1040 as proof of income instead of getting separate verifications.

Instead of individual income verifications for anyone listed on the form.



– For example, a married couple with two full-time jobs, two gig jobs, child support, va disability, and asset income who filed jointly can turn in 1 page rather than verify each income stream.

If they filed separately, it would still be beneficial for them to each turn in page 1 of 1040; we would need one from each of them.

Exclusive

A message from Tracy Thundercloud, the Acting Executive Director of HHCDA.

Greetings, One and All

The month of June saw a big change in leadership here at Ho-Chunk Housing and Community Development Agency (HHCDA) as Neil Whitegull, Executive Director, left for brighter opportunities with the HUD Native American Program located in Chicago, Illinois. The HHCDA Board of Commissioners hopes to have the Executive Director position filled by the middle of August.

HHCDA will continue forward as the staff continues to pursue the goals and objectives put in place by Neil Whitegull to ensure our communities continue to grow and provide a safe housing environment for our tenants and tribal membership. One of his goals was to establish a newsletter for the tenants of HHCDA to inform them of any program updates and/or changes as a means for better communication.

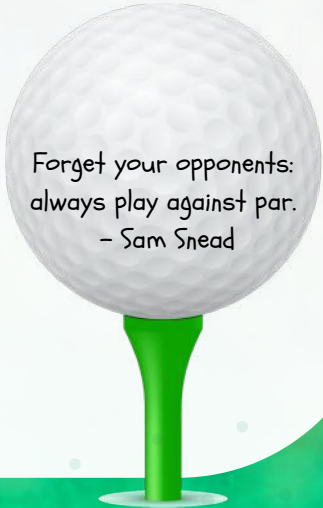
The HHCDA staff looks forward to any comments and suggestions to make HHCDA better in our service delivery to the tenants and tribal membership. We would like to thank the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature for their support of our programs.

With warm regards, and wish everyone a bright 2023!

Sincerely,

Tracy L Thundercloud

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HHCDA Interim Executive Director

A white golf ball sits on a green tee. The ball has a quote written on it in black text.

Forget your opponents:
always play against par.
- Sam Snead

HHCDA

2023

Operations

In 2020, HHCDA Tenant Services and the Maintenance divisions were combined to create **Operations Division**.

This re-organization increases our ability to be efficient and streamline services to you, our tenant.

For assistance please contact:

Tenant Services Supervisor - Patti Emery 608.374.1245 x 18813

OR

Operations Project Manager - Malachi Emery 608.374.1245 X 18814



Tenant Services

UNDERSTANDING THE RENTAL UNIT TURNOVER PROCESS.

When a housing unit appears unoccupied, or a family moves out of a unit, you may wonder why nobody has moved in yet. However, it's important to note that HHCDA must take specific safety and quality assurance measures before a new family can move in.

- Regardless of the previous tenant, HHCDA must ensure a high standard of cleanliness with a deep clean for safety purposes.
- As we go through the rehabilitation and repair process, it's crucial to take care of maintenance tasks like fixing minor leaks, patching drywall holes, and replacing appliances.
- Once these steps are completed, the units are subject to inspection and must pass to be approved for occupancy.

HHCDA Rental Management checks the occupancy "waitlist."

To be eligible for immediate housing when units are available, you must keep your application information up-to-date.

Stay in contact with our Tenant Services Admissions Specialist - Kaleena Emery 608.374.1245 x 18811. We here to help you.

IF THE HOUSE IS EMPTY,
WHY CAN'T I MOVE IN?



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OR

Operations Project Manager - Malachi Emery
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Community Resource Center



With an all-weather greenhouse, plants will be available all year long.



For more information about planting projects contact James Blackdeer



Community Resource Center

The resource center is dedicated to supporting families in need. Efforts are currently underway to revamp the program and make it even more effective. If you require immediate assistance, please don't hesitate to contact Melanie Stacy at 608.374.1245 x 18805.





DEVELOPMENT



Community Projects

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING –

- The groundbreaking was held On May 31st.
- Excavation has begun. Cast-in-place concrete work started on June 13th.
- They are currently working on the Stormwater conveyance.



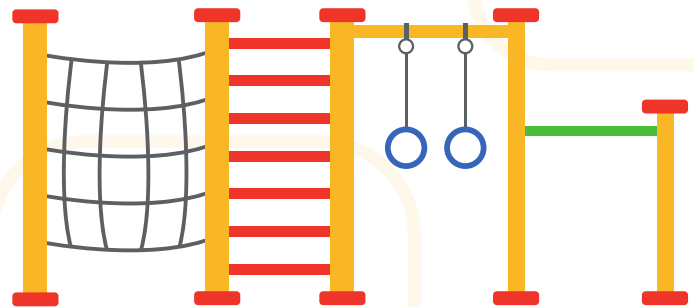
Supportive Housing Groundbreaking



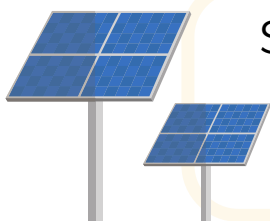
Modernization Development
Leanne Burnstad

PLAYGROUND -

Mission and Sand Pillow – On-site install the new playground equipment on Monday, June 26th.



Coming Soon...



Solar Project



Be sure to follow, like, and share on Facebook to be up to date on our latest development projects..



DEVELOPMENT



New Home Construction



June 8th Terrace Homes set the two Wittenberg houses.

This year the following housing projects have begun and will continue until December. Each project is in various stages: preparing the lots, waiting for environmental approvals, or final walk-through.

- Wittenberg (2 homes)
- Blue Wing Village (2 homes)
- WI Dells (4 homes & Duplexes)
- Black River Falls (8 homes)



FOR CONSIDERATION OF THESE NEW HOUSES, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR APPLICATIONS WITH HHCA ARE COMPLETE.



"Always plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark."
— Richard Cushing, American prelate of the Roman Catholic Church

NEIL WHITEGULL RECEIVES LEGISLATIVE RECOGNITION



Neil Whitegull HHCD Executive Director

Neil Whitegull transfers from HHCD to take a position within HUD in the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP).

Resolution 06-13-23A Authorization to Issue Legislative Recognition Citation in Recognition of Neil Whitegull Wakajaziiga was passed to recognize his achievements, hard work, sacrifice, dedication, and commitment to the Ho-Chunk People.

Neil Whitegull's employment with the Ho-Chunk Nation spanned 26 years, and he worked in both gaming and non-gaming enterprises. He is most known for his time spent in Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency (HHCD).

Thank you for service to the people, and we wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

- Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature



VP- Thundercloud, D1 Reps Smoke, Stacy; D2 Rep Begay, Neil Whitegull (center); D4 Reps Tahdoahnippah, Fox

HHCDA After-Hours Rental Hotline

At HHCDA, we understand that housing emergencies can occur at any hour.

So, we have after-hours contacts available to help you resolve any issues.



For rental emergencies after hours, our Maintenance Supervisors are here to help.

They should be your first point of contact.



Roy Littlegeorge – BRF – 608.343.0743

Christian Bird – Tomah, West Salem/Onalaska, Nekoosa, Wittenberg, GB – 608.343.0515

Cody Greendeer – WI Dells, Madison, Milwaukee – 608.343.3318

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Summer

FOUR SEASONS OF HOME MAINTENANCE

As part of the renting process, we ask the tenant to think about the four seasons' maintenance needs of your home.

Regular maintenance is important in protecting our homes and families from natural and unnatural elements.

Here are suggestions:

- Change Furnace/AC Filter
- Check Exterior wood trim including windows
- Put exterior fan filter (over stove) in sink and clean
- Clean out gutters – use a work order if needed
- Have air conditioner checked
- Cut Grass
- Lawn Sprinkling and landscaping needs
- Clean Shower Heads



An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
- Benjamin Franklin.

