

WALPOLE HOUSING AUTHORITY

TO: Walpole Housing Authority Tenants
ATTN: Diamond Pond Terrace Tenants
FROM: Denise Landry, Executive Director

RE: Coronavirus Precautions

Due to the heightened concerns about the risk of COVID-19, known as the Coronavirus, as well as public health recommendations to limit gatherings in public spaces as a precaution to minimize the spread of the virus, Walpole Housing Authority has made the decision to **close our community rooms** until the end of March.

At this time, the **laundry room and the community room lobby will remain open** during regularly scheduled hours, but we ask all Tenants using the facility to please use hygiene best practices to minimize risk and make sure homemakers in your service are also taking precautions to avoid the spread of COVID-19.

The Housing Authority **office will remain open** at this time, but we are cancelling non critical person to person meetings.

Maintenance Staff will be cleaning common area "touch points" (handrails, doorknobs, etc.) on an increased schedule. We encourage you to do the same for your apartment doorknobs, faucet and appliance handles, phones, light switches etc.

If you are not feeling well, we ask you not to request work orders for your unit unless the nature of the work is **urgent or an emergency**.

We encourage you and your invited family & guest visitors to follow the guidance of our public health officials now and as the situation evolves.

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Clean things that are frequently touched (like doorknobs and countertops) with household cleaning spray or wipes.
- Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze. Use a tissue or your inner elbow, not your hands.
- Stay home if you are sick and avoid close contact with others, especially in large gatherings.

Links to these public health sites, as well as Walpole Housing updates to this Notice, will be posted on Walpole Housing Authority's **new** website at www.WalpoleHousing.org.

Please be careful and stay safe,

Walpole Housing Authority

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