

CMHA AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS TO THREE RESIDENTS

The sale of a recent property on E. McMillan Street created an opportunity for CMHA to set aside funds to award a scholarship to residents and participants in our programs looking to advance their education through a trade school program or accredited certification. CMHA opened the application from the end of February to the end of March, giving those in good standing in any of our programs a chance to submit an application for the scholarship award.

CMHA received about 35 applicants from those in our Asset Management, Touchstone and Housing Choice Voucher program, and it was an impressive pool of applicants. To meet the requirements for the application, individuals had to write an extended essay about why they chose their field of study and how it may change their lives. Out of the pool of 35 applicants, five (5) finalists were chosen, of which three (3) were officially awarded part of the funds.

CMHA will celebrate with the recipients at the upcoming Board Meeting scheduled for April 29th, 2025 at 6pm. Recipients will receive a proclamation from the Chairman of the Board and a ceremonial “big check” to honor their hard work.



MR. JOHNSON ATTENDS SEVERAL NOTABLE EVENTS



James Cunningham and Mr. Johnson at Mr. Cunningham's recognition for his years of service to HUD

During the month of April, CMHA CEO Mr. Gregory Johnson attended several events recognizing stakeholders who have impacted CMHA in positive ways over the years and sharing CMHA's mission of providing quality, affordable housing.

James Cunningham has been a significant partner and support of CMHA through his positions at Housing and Urban Development locally and regionally. Recently, Mr. Cunningham retired from HUD and was honored at a City of Cincinnati Council Meeting for his commitment to housing for families in Greater Cincinnati.



Mr. Johnson and Honorable Virginia Tallent in her new role as Common Pleas Judge for Hamilton County.

Judge Virginia Tallent was elected to the Court of Common Pleas in November 2024, and her six-year term began on April 1, 2025. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Tallent held the role as City of Cincinnati Deputy City Manager with an emphasis on addressing complex issues such as affordable housing.



Mr. Johnson and Council member Seth Walsh touring a unit at Bennett Point

Mr. Johnson and Council member Walsh touring Bennett Point, including the fitness center, laundry room and community spaces

Mr. Johnson met with Council member Seth Walsh at CMHA's Bennett Point to do a tour of the property including a vacant unit and several community spaces. Mr. Johnson discussed CMHA's transition plan updates and showed a video of all the RAD converted properties.



EVANSTON HOSTS THE 513 BUS AND OTHER COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Evanston hosted the 513 Relief Bus and other community organizations during an event on Friday, April 18. Organized by an Evanston resident, the 513 Relief Bus provides health screenings, social services, and economic relief to communities in need. This was a wonderful opportunity for some of CMHA's families to access these services at their door. Many other community organizations attended the event including UC Health Cancer Center, Council on Aging, Feed the Block, The Braid Initiative, The Unity Center, and so many more!

Mr. Johnson attended the event, networked with residents and learned more about initiatives going on in the community. Touchstone Property Services staff was also present to sign residents up for Rent Café, CMHA's new online platform to pay rent, upload and see documents, and put in maintenance requests. Check out some photos from the event on the next page.



Mr. Johnson, Mayor Pureval and Travina Adams taking a selfie!



Mr. Johnson helping a resident gather fresh vegetables provided by Feed the Block!



Mr. Johnson learning more about The Braid Initiative, an org that teaches young women to do hair and pays them!



Fistbump for the fantastic event! Mr. Johnson and Mayor Pureval celebrating the great day and turnout!



TPS management signing residents up for Rent Café



UC Health Cancer Center Team

CMHA U WITH HCV SHARES CHANGES TO DIGITAL

RFTA DIGITAL ACCESS IS COMING SOON!

RTA submissions are going digital! No more driving to the office downtown, or waiting for an RTA Express event. Online submission of the RTA will begin very soon, and these submissions can be made via phone, tablet, or desktop computer. Once the portal is live, landlords will have 24 hour access, be able to upload documents on their timelines, receive notifications, and see successfully submitted documents, and much more.

Additional information may be found on the website: <https://cintimha.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/rfta-sneak-peak-2.pdf>

HONORING PARTNERS AT THE LANDLORD BANQUET

The annual Partner Appreciation Banquet hosted by CMHA to recognize it's partnership with landlords across Hamilton County is right around the corner! This years banquet is being held at the Sharonville Convention Center with Keynote speaker Denise Driehaus and MC'd by Joy Gazaway. CMHA is excited to showcase key partnerships including the VA and Talbert House at the event!



CHANGES TO WAITLISTS

LOW INCOME PUBLIC HOUSING WAITLIST UPDATE

CMHA will be updating our low-income public housing waitlist and removing applicants no longer seeking housing assistance. To stay on your current waitlist, follow the directions below to secure your spot. Please complete the request by the deadline or this may result in your removal from the waitlist.

1

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VISIT ONLINE PORTAL

Visit myinfo.cintimha.com to begin the applicant registration process. You can scan the QR code below!



Scan me!

2

CHOOSE "APPLICANT LOGIN" OPTION IN TOP RIGHT CORNER

Once you select application login, you must register for the online portal in order to move on to the next step

IMPORTANT TIPS:

1. Provide your SSN without dashes included
2. Password must have at least 12 characters and include a capital letter, a special character (!, ?, #, \$) and a number.

3

SELECT THE "SAVE MY SPOT" ICON AND COMEPLTE THE REQUEST

Once you are registered, select the "Save My Spot" icon and follow the instructions on the screen. You MUST complete the entire request form in order to secure your spot on the waitlist.

If you have any questions, please contact Asset Management office at 513-421-2642

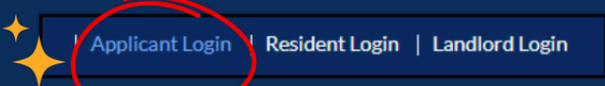
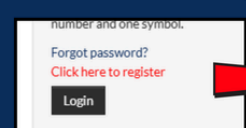
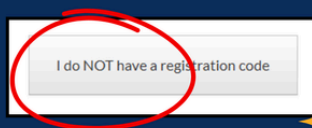
CMHA's Low-Income Public Housing Program sent applicants on the waitlist a letter to reserve their spot on the new online portal CMHA is utilizing. Applicants received a letter with instructions on how to visit the "myinfo.cintimha.com" website and fill out the "save my spot" request form that is now mandatory in order to stay on the current waitlist. If the online form is not completed by the deadline outlined in the letter, applicants will be removed from the waitlist.

CMHA periodically updates the program waitlists in order to remove applicants no longer seeking housing. This allows for applicants who are eager to find a housing opportunity within one of our programs to move up on the waitlist. This update also helps remove applicants whose contact information is no longer up to date.

ASSET MANAGEMENT APPLICATIONS ARE OFFICIALLY DIGITAL! DIRECT APPLICANTS TO RENT CAFE FOR LOW-INCOME PUBLIC HOUSING

APPLICATIONS FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT NOW ONLINE!

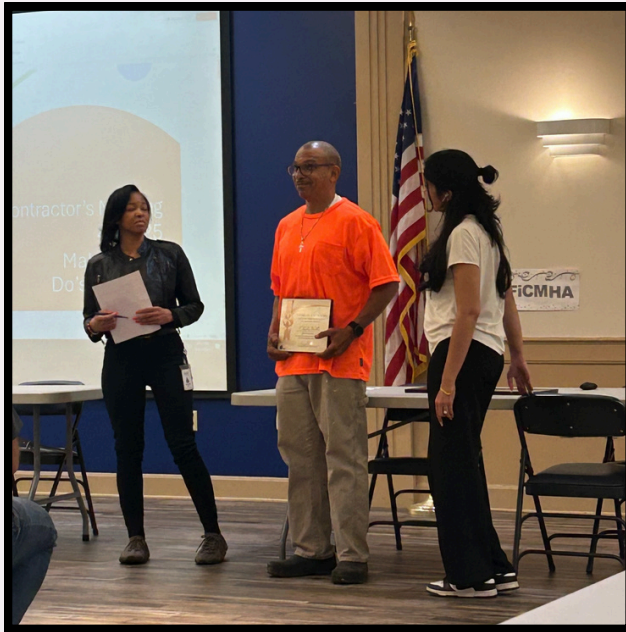


- 1 GO TO MYINFO.CINTIMHA.COM

- 2 CHOOSE "APPLICANT LOGIN"
- 3 IN RED FONT THERE WILL BE AN OPTION TO REGISTER

- 4 NEW APPLICANTS WILL NOT HAVE A REGISTRATION CODE

- 5 FILL OUT REQUIRED INFORMATION TO REGISTER
- 6 WAITLIST ARE BASED ON BEDROOMS, CHOOSE APPLICABLE OPTION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE REACH OUT TO ELIGIBILITY@CINTIMHA.COM



CONTRACTOR RECOGNITION AT RECENT MEETING



Assistant Director of AM, Barbara Jeff
awarding contractor Clayton Walker

CMHA started a “Contractor of the Month” initiative to encourage our contractors, an essential partner to the operation of CMHA’s maintenance, to continue to provide quality service that meets our Gold Standard. Based on various eligibility criteria, including manager recommendations, contractors will be recognized with a certification signed by Mr. Johnson and a shoutout in our monthly “Contractor Corner” newsletter and our website.

CMHA TO HONOR 2025 GRADUATES

We want to recognize all the graduates in our Programs! Do you know a family celebrating a 2025 graduate who is part of a CMHA Program? Sign them up for our recognition event this May! CMHA will host a recognition event at our May Board Meeting to honor those who finish high school, trade school, a certificate program, or any higher education program in 2025.

All graduates can fill out a form at <https://forms.gle/eWUcLyXBtUNqfUP58>

A colorful poster for 'Graduation Recognition 2025'. It features a blue and yellow color scheme with graduation caps and balloons. The text reads: 'JOIN US FOR A GRADUATION RECOGNITION 2025'. Below this, it says 'CMHA IS EXCITED TO CELEBRATE THE GRADUATES IN OUR PROGRAMS'. Then, 'IF YOU ARE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, TRADE SCHOOL OR A CERTIFICATION PROGRAM IN MAY 2025, CMHA WANTS TO RECOGNIZE YOU'. There is a QR code with the text 'SCAN THE QR CODE TO FILL OUT THE FORM' and 'OR FILL OUT THE FORM AT THE LINK: https://forms.gle/HPFYUAUYNMYSF8'. At the bottom, it says 'FILL OUT THE FORM BY MAY 9TH, 2025 TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RECOGNITION PROGRAM' and 'REACH OUT TO COMMUNICATIONS@CINTIMHA.COM WITH ANY QUESTIONS'.

HCV REMINDS LANDLORDS OF NEW SMOKE DETECTOR RULES



10 Year Tamper-Proof Alarm
NEVER REPLACE BATTERIES
2-in-1 Smoke & Fire Alarm
Automatic Low Battery Charge
10 Year
Universal
Smoke & Fire Alarm

New Smoke Detector Requirements

In Effect as of January 1, 2025

Units must include 10 year tamper free battery or hard-wired smoke detectors.

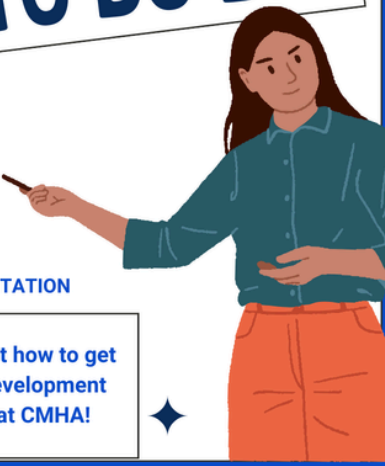
- One on each level
- Inside each bedroom
- Within 21 feet of any door to a bedroom measured along a path of travel (ie: hallways)
- *This is a 24 hour emergency fail if requirements are not met.*



HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH CMHA VIRTUAL EVENT

GET READY TO JOIN CMHA FOR

HOW TO DO BIZ



 **DATE**
April 30th, 2025

 **TIME**
10AM - 12PM

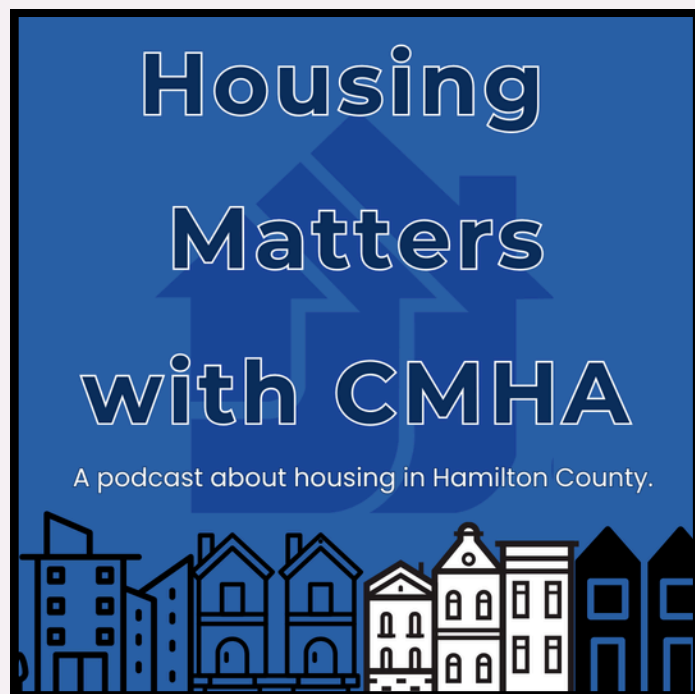
 **LOCATION**
VIRTUAL PRESENTATION

Learn more about how to get involved with development opportunities at CMHA!

Join us virtually for our next “How To Do Business” event! The event will include how to register for business opportunities with CMHA and training on invoice submissions.

If you would like to learn more about how to do business with CMHA, visit our website at <https://cintimha.com/business-opportunities/>

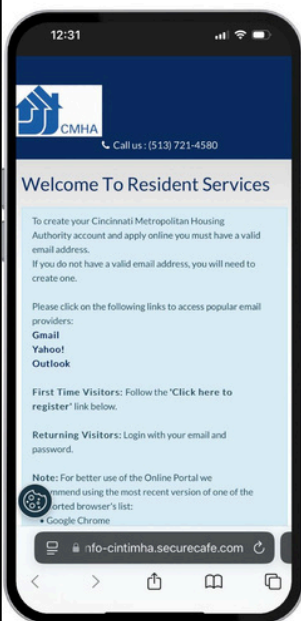
Take a listen to our new episode on our podcast, Housing Matters with CMHA:



Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority

Rent Café is Here!

You can get your personal Tenant Code from your Property Manager, if you are not signed up already!



What does this mean for you?

- A simpler way to pay your rent
- Faster ways in uploading documents for recertification
- An all-in-one system that allows you to see work orders placed, documentation required, and rent statements with CMHA

All Residents Required to Sign Up for Rent Cafe

CMHA Asset Management/Public Housing is moving to Rent Cafe to better assist residents in paying rent, uploading documents for recertification, placing work orders, and much more.



SCAN HERE TO VISIT THE CMHA RENT CAFE WEBSITE

CMHA WILL BE ENFORCING NO SMOKING POLICY



Cincinnati Metropolitan
Housing Authority

Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority Smoking Policy



- CMHA's policy on smoking states that residents must smoke outdoors in designated areas **ONLY**.
- Per your lease agreement and HUD's rule all public housing buildings are smoke-free.
- Violating this rule could result in eviction.

CMHA and Touchstone Management Services Property Management is heavily enforcing the 'No Smoking Policy' instituted by HUD.

Due to Federal Regulations, there is a zero tolerance policy for smoking in the unit or away from the designated smoking areas in our communities. Please advise all residents that the 'No Smoking Policy' is a condition of their lease agreement and will result in a lease violation and potentially eviction.



IMPORTANT NOTICE: NON-PAYMENT OF RENT MAY CAUSE EVICTION

CMHA strongly encourages residents who are behind on their rent to contact property managers. Residents are being notified with 30-day notices and 3-day notices of eviction for non-payment of rent. CMHA is willing to work with you to agree on terms for a re-payment agreement. There are ways that residents can avoid eviction.

1. Residents: that if you lose your job or source of income, your rent can be decreased. You **MUST** see your Property Manager.
2. Residents: CMHA is willing to work with you on re-payment agreements, but you **MUST** meet with your Property Manager.
3. Residents may voluntarily move out of the unit to avoid eviction on their records.
4. Other assistance resources are available and can be found directly on our website at <https://cintimha.com/resources-for-resident-services/>

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

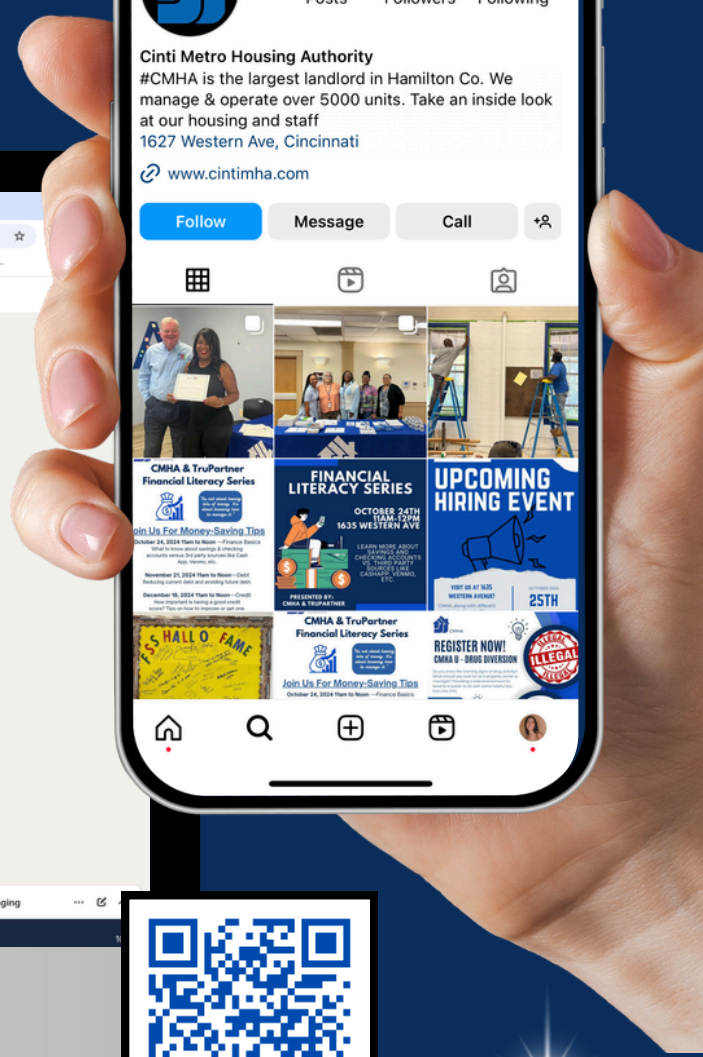
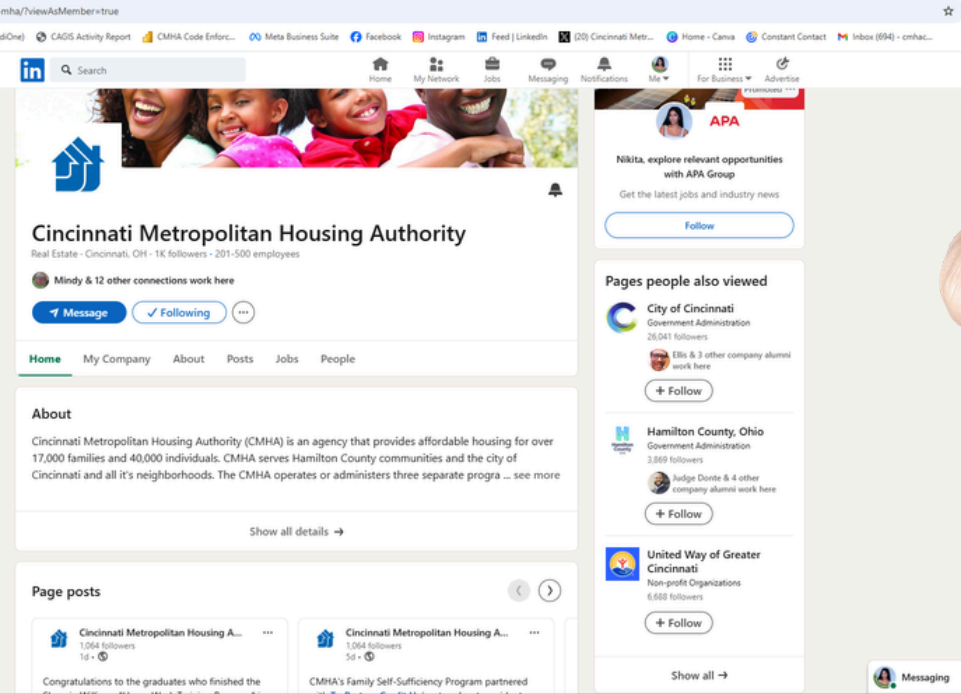


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