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How do I Register to Vote?

Voter Information

Who can register to vote?

Where can I get a registration form?

Registration Deadlines?



To be eligible to register to vote in Virginia a person must:

- Be a resident of Virginia (A person who has come to Virginia for temporary purposes and intends to return to another state is not considered a resident for voting purposes);
- Be a U. S. Citizen;
- Be 18 years old (Any person who is 17 years old and will be eighteen years of age at the next election shall be permitted to register in advance and also vote in any intervening primary or special election;
- Does not claim the right to vote in any other State;
- Not currently declared mentally incompetent by a court of law;
- If convicted of a felony, your right to vote must have been restored.

Persons eligible to register can obtain a registration application at any of the following locations:

- Local voter registration office: **Newport News City Hall-2400 Washington Avenue; 6th Floor-Newport News, Virginia 23607.** Telephone number: **757.926.8683;**
- Online: **www.nngov.com/voter-registrar;**
- State or local government offices when applying or recertifying for Aid to Dependent Children, Food Stamps, WIC, Medicaid, or Rehabilitation Services;
- Government offices in the State that provide State-funded programs primarily engage in providing services to persons with disabilities;
- Armed forces recruitment offices;
- Public Libraries: **Pearl Bailey-2510 Wickham Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607**
Grissom-366 DeShazor Drive, Newport News, VA 23608
West Avenue-2907 West Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607
Main Street-110 Main Street, Newport News, VA 23601
- State Board of Elections office;
- Department of Motor Vehicles offices;
- Voter Registration Drives.

**Registration Deadline: October 15, 2024 by 5:00 p.m. (in person),
If registering online must be submitted by 11:59 p.m.**



Going Back to School... Top 10 Tips for Parents

1. Meet the principal and teachers at the beginning of the school year.
2. Find out the best way to reach your child's teacher and tell them the best way to reach you (e.g. cell phone/texting/ email, phone call).
3. Go to Back-To-School night and events at your child's school. Children who see their parents at school get better grades.
4. Regularly check your child's backpack for notes, and keep track of homework.
5. Help your child with homework if needed, and always check when it's done.
6. Create a study space with good lighting and set regular time for homework.
7. Read, read, read. Have your child read everyday. Read to them, read with them and make sure your child sees you reading as well.
8. Provide healthy food every meal. Skip the sweets and soda -these foods don't help children learn.
9. Make sure your child gets enough sleep.
10. Go online to www.GreatSchools.org and get other ideas for helping your child be the best that they can be.





10 Habits of Successful Students

1. **Get Organized.** Making a plan for what you're going to do and when you're going to do it will make sure you're always ahead of the curve - literally.
2. **Don't multitask.** Studies have shown that multitasking is physically impossible.
3. **Divide it up.** Studying isn't fun to begin with, and forcing yourself through a study marathon will only make it worse. Dividing your work into manageable chunks and rewarding yourself when you finish each chunk will make studying (more) fun.
4. **Sleep.** Don't underestimate the importance of those eight hours of sleep every night! Getting a good night's rest will sharpen your focus and improve your working memory.
5. **Set a schedule.** Do you work better right after school or after you've eaten dinner? Are you more productive in 90-minute blocks or half-hour spurts? Find a schedule that works for you, and stick to it.
6. **Take notes.** Taking notes will not only keep you more engaged during class, but will also help you narrow down what you need to study when exam time rolls around. It's much easier to reread your notes than to reread your entire textbook!
7. **Study.** This one might be obvious, but did you know that there's a right and a wrong way to study? Review your material several days ahead of time, in small chunks, and in different manners (for example, write flashcards one day and take practice tests the next). In other words, don't cram.
8. **Manage your study space.** Find a place that will maximize your productivity. Look for places away from the television and other distractions. Whether it's your local library or just the desk in your bedroom, set aside a study space that you'll want to spend time in.
9. **Find a study group.** Sitting down with a group of people who are learning the same things as you is a great way to go over confusing class material or prepare for a big test. You can quiz each other, re-teach material, and make sure that everyone is on the same page. After all, teaching someone else is the best way to learn.
10. **Ask questions.** You're in school to learn, so don't be afraid to do just that! Asking for help - from a teacher, a tutor or your friends - is a surefire way to make sure you truly understand the material.

BUS BEHAVIOR TIPS



Outdoor Grilling Safety Rules



- Electric Grills are still allowed for both indoor and outdoor usage.
- Propane Grills, Dual Fuel grills and Propane Turkey Fryers **are not permitted**.
- Outdoor charcoal, hibachi and wood pellet grills are permitted.
- Grills must be used at a minimum distance of 10 to 15ft away from any structure.
- Using grills on the sidewalks is prohibited.
- Grills **cannot** be left unattended at any time while in operation.
- Dumping coals and ash from the grill onto the grass or pavement is **strictly prohibited**.
- Never, under any circumstances, should lighter fluid or matches be left unattended.
- Tenants are responsible for the clean-up of any grease, ash coals and food that spills.
- Accumulated debris from the grill is to be wrapped in aluminum foil and placed in trash receptacles after cooling.
- Any tenant that fails to properly clean spills and accumulated debris will incur a fine of \$25.00.
- **Storage of Outdoor Charcoal, Hibachi and Wood Pellet Grills**
 - ✓ Outdoor grills can be stored in the back of each housing unit when not in use.
 - ✓ Outdoor grills can be stored in units in a clean and orderly manner, not blocking passageways and egresses and not in the utility closet.
 - ✓ Any unit that fails to properly store a grill will be fined \$25.00.
 - ✓ No storing of Lighter Fluids.
 - ✓ Grills cannot be stored in the front of an apartment.

NNRHA does not waive any liability for any unsafe practices. If you have any questions please call your rental office.





THE FAMILY INVESTMENT CENTER (FIC) MARSHALL COURTS RECREATION CENTER

FREE TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Family Investment Center offers free training in the following courses:

- CNA;
- Self-Paced Typing;
- Employability Skills Workshops;
- Resume and Interviewing Prep;
- Job Lead Assistance;
- Homeownership.

Call 757.928.3682 if you have questions

PROGRAMA LIBRE DE INSTRUCCION

Centro de Trabajo Para la Familia ofrece los Cursos que sigue:

- Mecanografia;
- Habilidades de obrero;
- Ayuda con su resumen y su entrevista;
- Como se encuentra trabajo;
- Como encontrar y poseer una casa.

Centro de Trabajo
Para La Familia
600 C Ridley Circle
Newport News, VA 23607

Lunes—Viernes

8 de la mana - 4:30 de la tarde

757.928.3682 ingles
757.928.6146 espanol

Same great training
opportunities...

The Family Investment Center

~NEW LOCATION~

Marshall Courts Recreation Center
3301 Marshall Avenue • Newport News,
VA

Monday thru Friday

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

STAFF NUMBERS AT THE FIC

Chrystal Barnes	PH FSS	757-928-3680
Lora Jarrett	Main Number	757-928-3681
Brenda Williams	Job Search	757-928-3682
Tara Johnson	504 Request	757-928-3684
Kim Blowe	Tenant Relations	757-928-4302

NEWPORT NEWS REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING AUTHORITY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
HAMPTON ROADS WORKFORCE COUNCIL, PRESENTS:

SKILLS CONNECT HIRING EVENT

WHERE OPPORTUNITIES MEET SKILLS



Hosted by Brooks Crossing Innovation & Opportunity Center

ARE YOU READY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP IN YOUR CAREER?

Don't miss out! This will be the perfect time to connect your skills with the right opportunity and explore paths that thrive beyond the college route.

On-The-Spot Interviews Will Be Conducted!

College Degree is NOT Required for Available Positions.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

550 30TH STREET, NEWPORT NEWS VA

For more information, contact:

Lora Jarrett | LJarrett@nnrha.org | (757)928-3681

Kathrina Turner | KTurner@theworkforcecouncil.org | (757)373-4980



**NEWPORT NEWS REDEVELOPMENT
& HOUSING AUTHORITY
PRESENTS**

SCAMS AND IDENTITY THEFT

INFORMATION SESSION

OUTLINE:

- HOW ID AND ACCOUNT FRAUD HAPPEN
- DIFFERENCE BETWEEN IDENTITY THEFT AND IDENTITY FRAUD
- EFFECTS OF ID THEFT AND FRAUD
- HOW TO AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU BECOME A VICTIM

10:00 am to 11:30 am

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Location: 3301 Marshall Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607

FOR MORE INFO: BRENDA WILLIAMS 757-592-1654

OR EMAIL: BJACKSON@NNRHA.ORG

RECOGNIZE FRAUD, REJECT IT & REPORT IT!





HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TIPS

"PROTECT YOURSELF AND LOVED ONES"

Review your emergency plan

Review your plan with everyone in your household and make sure everyone knows about the safest location in the home.



Check your supplies

Be sure you have necessities such as water, blankets, first aid kits, flashlights, batteries, radios and any pet care items.



Set up an out-of-town contact

It's important to have an out-of-state friend or family member as a contact, so they can check on your whereabouts.



Secure important documents

Make sure documents such as insurance cards, IDs and other pertinent information are placed in a secured water-proof container.



Figure out your evacuation route

Make sure you know your evacuation route before the storm hits and keep a full tank of gas.



Be aware of your vehicle's surroundings

Make sure your vehicle is safe. If possible, move your vehicle away from trees or other objects that may damage it in a storm.



Follow official instructions

Follow all instructions from your local authorities regarding evacuation or other safety procedures. Check radio, television or other media for emergency information.





RESIDENT COUNCIL BOARD MEMBER
NOMINATION FORM

I, _____,

residing at _____ / _____
(print apartment number and street address) / (phone#)

do hereby nominate _____
(print nominee's name)

who resides in the community of _____

for the officer position of _____
(print title of office for Resident Council)

Available Positions for Election and Terms of Office:

President (3) | Vice President (2) | Secretary (3) | Treasurer (3) | Sergeant-At-Arms (3)

Eligibility—I hereby state that my name is on a NNRHA lease, I am at least 18 years of age, compliant with the lease, able to perform the duties of the office for which I am running, and if this nominee is someone other than myself, I state that I have permission from him/her to file this form.

I understand that campaigns may begin immediately and that voters for this candidate must reside in the candidate's same NNRHA community, cannot be employed or contracted by the NNRHA and be willing to participate in a training session, or certify that they reviewed training materials including the description of the responsibilities for the position on the Board that they are seeking.

I acknowledge that elections will be hosted by NNRHA staff and witnessed by a third-party non-profit organization.

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____
(resident)

ADDRESS: _____ / _____
(phone#)

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____
(nominee if other than self)

**Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority
P.O. Box 797
Newport News, VA 23607**

Resident Council Election Day: November 19, 2024

Nomination forms due date: October 4, 2024

Candidates are needed for the following communities:

Aqueduct

Ashe Manor

Brighton

Cypress Terrace

Great Oak

Lassiter Courts

Marshall Courts

Pinecroft

Oyster Point

Orcutt Townhomes I & III

Spratley House

Please return the forms to your local rental office for interoffice delivery to:

Lora Jarrett, ROSS Grant Coordinator

Ph: 757-928-3681

Email: ljarrett@nnrha.org



Newport News
Shipbuilding

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WE ARE HIRING TRAINEES

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Newport News Shipbuilding is partnering with the Virginia Ship Repair Association and several local community colleges to offer **eight course-to-hire Marine Trainee** programs for individuals interested in full-time trades careers with NNS. These 2-3 week courses equip individuals with the skills necessary to begin a trades career at Newport News Shipbuilding.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:

- 18 years or age or older
- U.S. Citizen
- Ability to work any shift
- Pass a background check, drug screen, and physical
- Pay a reimbursable \$250 to school prior to training

FITTER

Often called the "carpenters" of shipbuilding, or "Artists of Steel." They measure, cut, grind, fit, align, and tack weld parts to the structural body of the ship.

Thomas Nelson Community College, Tidewater Community College, and Camp Community College.

WELDER

Use a wide range of filler metals and welding processes to perform structural and pipe welds in all phases of production on aircraft carriers and submarines.

Thomas Nelson Community College, Tidewater Community College, and Camp Community College.

SHEET METAL WORKER

Responsible for fabricating and assembling a variety of components onboard ships such as ventilation, joiner bulkheads, framing, furniture, cabinetry, lockers and foundations.

Trainee program offered at Tidewater Community College.

ALL COURSES:

- Occurs Monthly
- Monday-Friday 7 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- 90% hands-on instruction
- Resulting in a full-time job with NNS upon graduating!

MARINE COATINGS

Perform solvent, hand tool and power tool cleaning. They apply paint using various brushes and rollers to the standards required in a marine environment.

Trainee program offered at Tidewater Community College.

PIPEFITTER

Responsible for installing complex systems together on the ship and in the shop. More than 230 miles of pipe are installed on an aircraft carrier.

Trainee program offered at Tidewater Community College.

OUTSIDE MACHINIST

Responsible for the installation, repair and overhaul of naval ship's mechanical components and systems.

Trainee program offered at Camp Community College.



Apply at: buildyourcareer.com

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VOTE

NOVEMBER 5, 2024

CITIZENS PORTAL LINK

<https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>

- Register to Vote
- Check Registration Status
- Find Your Polling Place
- Apply to Vote Absentee by Mail

Don't miss this opportunity to get registered and ready to vote. Your participation makes our democracy stronger!

For more information please call:

Lora Jarrett
757-928-3681

or email ljarrett@nnrha.org



General Overtime Guidelines

Maintenance staff will respond to the following calls:

1. Gas Leaks;
2. Electrical Problems;
3. Smoke Detector;
4. Power Outages (only at Pinecroft, Ashe Manor, Spratley House and Marshall);
5. No Heat between 5:00 p.m. on Friday and 8:00 am on Sunday or holidays if the next day is a working day. If the next day is not a working day, accepts calls until 6:00 p.m.
6. Floods and Sewer Problems;
7. Broken Windows;
8. Collapsed ceiling or damaged roofs;
9. Commode stopped up (if two in apartment hold to next day if that is a normal business day);
10. Lock Out/Lock Change;
11. Damaged Exterior Doors;
12. Fire.

Note to Residents: If you believe the situation can wait until the next day, call first thing in the morning.

Manager's Corner

TENANT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Aqueduct	Last Thursday Each Month	10:00 am Gymnasium
Ashe Manor	3rd Thursday Each Month	1:30 pm Community Room
Brighton	3rd Tuesday Each Month	2:00 pm Community Center
Cypress Terrace	2nd Tuesday Each Month	11:00 am Community Center
Great Oak	3rd Thursday Each Month	2:00 pm Community Center
Jefferson Brookville	3rd Thursday Each Month	3:30 pm - Jefferson Brookville Community Room
Lassiter Courts	2nd Thursday Each Month	3:30 pm Community Room
Marshall Courts	3rd Thursday Each Month	2:00 pm Recreation Center
Orcutt Townhomes I	4th Thursday Each Month	10:00 am - Ashe Manor Com- munity Room
Orcutt Townhomes III	4th Thursday Each Month	1:30 pm - Ashe Manor Com- munity Room
Oyster Point	3rd Tuesday Each Month	11:00 am Community Room
Pinecroft	1st Monday Each Month	3:00 pm Lobby
Spratley House	3rd Wednesday Community Room	3:00 pm Community Room



Requested Work Orders

Marshall Courts (757) 928-6154
 Ashe Manor (757) 928-6187
 Aqueduct (757) 833-5700
 Pinecroft (757) 269-4300
 Orcutt Townhomes I (757) 928-6187

* Marshall (757) 928-6181

Tax Credit Properties

Oyster Point (757) 269-4307
 Brighton (757) 591-3280
 Cypress Terrace (757) 833-5720
 Orcutt Townhomes III (757) 928-6187
 Lassiter Courts (757) 928-2690
 Great Oak (757) 592-7448
 Jefferson Brookville (757) 928-2690
 Spratley House (757) 928-6187

***USE ONLY AS AN ALTERNATE NUMBER**

Please use this number ONLY after 5:00 p.m.
 (757) 247-0484



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Newport News Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NRRHA) is to create affordable housing, viable neighborhoods, and opportunities for self-sufficiency that enhance the quality of life for all citizens of Newport News.



YOU need Renter's Insurance if your apartment is damaged by a fire, flood, or burglarized. Your personal property is not replaced unless you have renter's insurance. Sofas, beds, toys and clothes are covered only if you buy this type of insurance.

Renter's Insurance can also help if you move out of your apartment temporarily due to a fire. It can help you even if the problem is not in your apartment.

Look under "Insurance" in the yellow pages of the telephone book for companies located in the Newport News area. Don't take chances with your belongings!

According to Section II, 9-C of the Resident's Lease "Management will not be responsible for any of Tenant's personal belongings which are damaged or destroyed by natural disaster or other circumstances which are beyond the control of Management".



Protect your items with affordable renter's insurance.

REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE



We all know the heartache and devastation that drugs can bring to our families.

If you or anyone you know and love is affected by substance abuse help is available.

Program Name	Services	Payment
Tidewater Area Hot Line 459-8467	Narcotics Anonymous	No fees
Narcotics Anonymous VA Regional Hot Line 1-800-777-1515	Support group for recovering substance abusers.	No fees
Hampton Roads Clinic Reflections 827-8430	Outpatient Counseling I.V. Methadone Maintenance 30-45 day Residential Facility	Sliding fee Scale Medicaid
Project Link 245-0217	Case management and coordination services for prenatal abuser	Sliding fee Scale Medicaid
AI Anon/Alateen 1-888-425-2666 AA Hotline 595-1212	Support group Alcoholism-friends/relatives and teens. 12 Step Program	No fees No fees
Peninsula Area Help Line 875-9314	Narcotics Anonymous	No fees
Advanced Recovery Systems	Alcohol, Eating Disorders and Substance Abuse	Private Insurance

FILING A COMPLAINT...

Here is the Customer Service Hotline Number:

757-928-6063 or 757-928-6170

A TENANT HOTLINE IS A FREE SERVICE FOR TENANTS LIVING IN PROPERTIES OWNED AND MANAGED BY THE NEWPORT NEWS REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY. WHEN FILING A COMPLAINT, YOU MUST STATE YOUR FULL NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER AND SPEAK AS SLOWLY AND CLEARLY AS POSSIBLE.

WE WILL CALL YOU BACK WITHIN 48 HOURS REGARDING YOUR CONCERNS.

THANK YOU



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