

SPRING 2021

Housing Authority, City of Danbury

HAT CITY HOUSING HERALD

Office Hours

Monday—Friday *

7:45 - 5 :30PM

Main Number

203-744-2500

*As of May 31, the office will be closed on Friday's.

COVID -19 VACCINATIONS



Do not forget to get your COVID 19 vaccinations. There are many locations available through your local pharmacies as well as Vaccine Administration Manager System (VAMS) portal (<https://vams.cdc.gov>) to schedule a vaccination appointment. VAMS is an easy-to-use, secure, online tool to manage vaccine administration. We highly recommend you continue to follow the suggested safety measures provided by CDC.

PARKING POLICY/REGULATIONS

This is a friendly reminder that residents and guests need to adhere to the parking policy and regulations. The Housing Authority has received numerous complaints of violations that are not being followed such as **no parking in fire lane, no parking on lawns or sidewalks, handicapped placards are required for handicapped parking and residents and guests must park in assigned spaces**. Vehicles violating the policy will be towed and could be subject to a fine, **at the owner expense**, by Grand Prix Motors. Also, vehicles parked on the lawn are subjected to a \$40 fine. This is a community effort for all residents to pitch in to maintain the beautification and character of the properties.



It is that time of the year to get outside and enjoy the weather while cleaning up your yard. Grab a rake or any other gardening tools to clean up the neighborhood. The Housing Authority will be scheduling time to pick up old or broken grills, lawnmowers, lawn furniture, etc. Remember our neighborhood is your neighborhood so lets all pitch in to keep it clean.

EDEN DRIVE NEW LOOK

The Housing Authority is excited to inform the community that the property at Eden Drive has received a new roof, windows, siding, exterior painting, and gutters. The residents love the new upgrades. Drive by to check out how beautiful the property looks.



Now that the project has been completed and parking is back to normal there is no parking in the fire lane along the street and the police will take notice of any violations.

DANBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY DOES NOT ALLOW

- TRAMPOLINES
- GRILLING CLOSE TO BUILDINGS
- SWIMMING POOLS
- SMOKING ON ALL HACD PROPERTIES



KEEP YOUR NEIGHBOODS CLEAN- DO YOUR PART

The Housing Authority staff works effortlessly to keep our properties safe and clean. All residents are responsible for discarding garbage and picking up loose trash which should be thrown away in the dumpsters.

Remember your home is our home lets keep it clean and safe.



Please contact the Housing Authority when other people are illegally using the dumpsters. These dumpster are for residents only.

DID YOU KNOW ??



A few miles down the street from Mill Ridge Road there was a farm called Marianna Farm purchased in 1940 by a Marian Anderson and her husband Orpheus who raised sheep and chickens. The couple was often seen in downtown Danbury purchasing supplies for their farm and other odds and ends. Many knew of the family, but were unaware that Marian Anderson was the first African American to sing at the White House and at the New York Metropolitan Opera House. Marian became instrumental in the civil rights movement when she was banned from singing at Constitution Hall. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt, civil rights pioneer, organized an event where Marian sang on Easter Morning at the Lincoln Memorial for over 75,000 people. Marian first song was "My Country, 'Tis Of Thee". She was noted as one of the greatest singers of the 20th century and received a Grammy award for Lifetime Achievement along with many other notable awards.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS WITH DANBURY HOUSING AUTHORITY

Congratulations to Kathiria Alba, Mike Ruscoe, Mildred Brito, Perry Mayo, Jacqueline Elam and German Alvarez. Thank you for your service and dedication.

Also happening 25 years ago

- ◆ Bill Gates started Microsoft
- ◆ first episode of the Simpsons
- ◆ gas was 97 cents a gallon
- ◆ Mike Tyson becomes the heavy weight champ
- ◆ Lion King is released
- ◆ Jeff Bezos started Amazon



COMMUNITY CORNER



Come share your favorite pet picture with the community by emailing pictures with a brief story of your pet. Going forward, our newsletter will highlight a few of the pets pictures and stories. Email pictures of your pets to tzalenski@hacdct.org or simply mail them to Ted Zalenski at the Housing Authority located at Danbury 2 Mill Ridge Rd. 06811. This is Zora whose owner works for the Danbury Housing Authority. Zora is a rescue dog and she's best friends with the employees daughter and could often be found sitting on her lap. Zora is always with a family member and loves to snuggle.

RETIREMENT NEWS

The Danbury Housing Authority is wishing farewell to Jacqueline Elam, Chief Operating Officer, who is retiring at the end of this month. Jackie, as many know her, is retiring after 27 years. Her dedication to the Danbury Housing Authority will be missed. Through the years she has been presented with numerous awards, achievements and accolades. She was a friend to many and mentor to all. Jackie will be taking a long awaited road trip to visit family and friends. She will be truly missed by not just her co workers but the community she has served and admired.



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Jeff M. Rieck, Executive Director of Danbury Housing Authority