

Anawim Housing Tenant Newsletter

Home is everything.

SUMMER 2014

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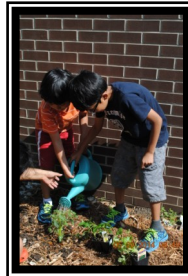
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Anawim Housing's Gardeners

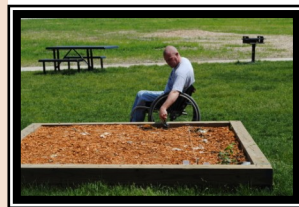
The Anawim Housing tenants at Forest & Fields Townhomes and The Crest at Baker Creek had the opportunity to participate in a community garden this year. Both Forest & Fields and The



unique housing program that allows us to provide access to gardening while at the same time, promote healthy living. Tenants planted a variety of vegetables such as jalapenos, tomatoes and green peppers. Anawim Housing received a garden grant from



United Way which allowed us to provide the start up tools and plants to make this year's gardens a success! Anawim Housing is excited to be able to offer this opportunity to our tenants to support a healthy and active lifestyle.



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Does Your Child Want to go to Y Camp?

Anawim Housing will send 1 lucky tenant to a YMCA Camp of his/her choice this summer in Boone, IA. Youth between the ages 7 - 17 will have a chance to go to camp.

What do I need to do?

All you need to do is write a paragraph on "Why You Want To Go To Camp", along with the information on of the specific camp of interest.

Turn this in to the **Anawim Housing Office ; Attn: Tiffany King by June 25th.** We will randomly draw the winner and he/she will be notified as soon as possible.

Any questions? Please let us know 244.8308 x119 or email tking@anawimhousing.org

Anawim Housing hosts educational programs throughout the year on a variety of topics. All tenants are welcome to attend! **\$25 rent credits are available to tenants who attend classes.** *Incentives are not available for tenants in units of which Anawim is a third party management company or subsidized rental program (such as Section 8 or Shelter Plus Care)*

Mark your calendar!

**Tuesday, June 10th
Neighborhood Safety**

*Staying safe this summer
pedestrian/bicycle safety
Des Moines Police Dept.*

5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.
Anawim Office





Red, White and Blue Strawberry Shortcake

Recipe by Tara Salerno on Allrecipes.com

- 1 (18.25 ounce) package yellow cake mix
- 1 (8 ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 pint blueberries, rinsed and drained
- 2 pints fresh strawberries, rinsed and sliced

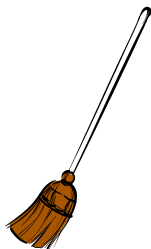
1. Prepare cake according to package directions and bake in a 9x13 inch pan. Cool completely.
2. Frost cake with whipped topping. Place blueberries in a square in the corner, and arrange sliced strawberries as stripes to make an American flag. Chill until serving.

Positive Inspections

This year, you have a chance to **WIN BIG** by simply having a positive inspection from your housing manager!

Housing managers will draw winners and notify tenants by the end of June.

*Winners must be current



with rent to qualify

*Incentive is not available for managed properties or for Shelter Plus Care.

Need tips on how you can have a positive inspection? Just call your property manager!



GOOD GRADES

Challenge for youth 6th–12th grade to get good grades!

For students in 6 - 12th grade: if you received at least 3 letter grades of a B or better this school year, you will receive a certificate and a prize!

Bring your report card summary in to the Anawim Housing office to get your incentive by June 30th!

Call Tiffany King at 244.8308 x119 if you have any questions.

* Only 1 prize will be given out per student per school year.

* Incentive is not available to tenants of units in which Anawim Housing is a third party management company

College Assistance Drawing

Anawim Housing is having a drawing for a \$200 gift card towards a tenant's selected college institution's bookstore to assist with the purchase of textbooks and school supplies. This drawing is available to all Anawim Housing tenants* who are enrolled

as a full-time student at a 2 or 4 year college/university for the 2014/2015 year. Applications are available at the Anawim Housing office and must be submitted by August 11th.

*Drawing is not available for tenants in which Anawim is a third party mgmt. company.

Tenant Activities

Each month, Anawim Housing selects a property to participate in a community event! We hope this gives you the opportunity to do something fun with your family and neighbors!

This month, Anawim Housing had a night out at the Iowa Barnstormers, thanks to our friends at Scheels for donating the tickets. Next month, the residents at 13th and Forest will have the



opportunity to go to the Iowa Cubs this summer.

This is our way of thanking you for choosing to live with Anawim.

Property Services - This is YOUR HOME

Please help the Property Services Staff by filling out a written request for work you would like addressed. A work order request may be filled out online at:

http://anawimhousing.org/live_here/work_order

We will do our best to get to your request in a timely manner.

When should you Call the Emergency Number?



- Broken Water Pipes (Water flowing)
- Break In (kicked in exterior door or first floor window). Must call Police before calling Anawim Housing.
- No Heat - call as soon as heat loss is noticed. Be

sure to check furnace switch, thermostat batteries and filter before calling

- Clogged Toilet - you must be home to let them in
- LockOuts (charges apply)

What is NOT an Emergency?

- **No air conditioning (no - it is not an emergency)-** Be sure to check furnace switch, thermostat batteries and filter before calling
- Can not pay rent
- No Hot Water - this will be handled the next business day
- Drains are slow/clogged
- No Power - Call Mid-American
- Mediacom install or outage

Neighbor Complaints - Call police then leave a message for your property manager

In order to keep track of tenant repair request, Property Services needs all tenants to fill out a written work order and/or go online to



www.anawimhousing.org and fill out a request under the section for Live Here. Property Services will no longer accept phone repair requests.

Remember our job is to help insure that
“Home is Everything”.

Community Information



GRASP: The City of Des Moines and Des Moines Parks and Recreation, have created a program offering low-income families discounts on activities. With your GRASP Card, which stands for **Greater Des Moines Recreational Activity Scholarship Program**, you could receive discounts on Parks and Recreation programs including swim lessons, tennis lessons, basketball, shelter rentals and much more if your household meets income guidelines.

If your household meets the income guidelines you can have more fun for less money this year. You can apply for these cards now! Call the Parks/

Rec Office 237.1386 or the 6th Ave Action Agency 248.6216

Home Ownership Fair: June 26, 2014 from 5p.m. - 7p.m. at United Way of Central Iowa Conference Rooms. Come meet with lenders, credit counselors, housing assistance agencies, realtors, inspection companies and more!

Summer Vacation

Summer Recreation Program: Evelyn K Davis Park is offering a summer recreation program Monday - Friday, 11a.m.—8p.m. from June 4 -17th. For more information call 237.1405.

Garden Program from The Des Moines Community Action Agency:

The Garden Program helps families grow food in their personal gardens. Applications will be taken beginning Tuesday, April 1, 2014 and will run through June 30, 2014 or until funds are exhausted (a limited number of certificates are available)

The \$25.00 certificate from Hy-Vee Garden Centers are for vegetable and fruit seeds and plants.

Residents are eligible if they are:
-Under 150% of the Federal poverty level (Income guidelines listed on page 4).

-Household must be LIHEAP approved or provide 30 days income for all household members.



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Property Management Reminders

- Please keep your yard clean of trash and garbage. Be sure your garbage can is closed so animals can not cause a mess. The only furniture allowed outdoors is lawn furniture
- Please watch out for children playing this summer—drive safely!
- Partial payments toward rent can no longer be accepted. Contact your Housing Manager before the 1st of the month, if you need to make arrangements regarding your rent.
- Don't forget—you can now pay your rent ONLINE. Visit our website and click on **For Our Tenants** and **Online Bill Pay**
- Do not park on the grass
- If your rent is being paid after the 3rd of the month, be sure to include your \$25.00 late fee with your rent.
- Please be sure to call the Police Non –Emergency number if you see any suspicious acts in your neighborhood. 515.283.4811
- **Enjoy the summer,** but please be sensitive to neighbors when having gatherings.
- If your housing manager has been in touch with you regarding getting a balance paid—please make the effort to take care of this responsibility.



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Community Youth Concepts (CYC) is a youth development organization that specializes in connecting young people ages 10-17 to service learning and career based mentoring. CYC recently moved to its new headquarters located at 1446 MLK Jr. Pkwy. (the former site of EFR-Employee and Family Resources). The organization is conducting a survey to better understand the needs of community members in order to develop new programming. Please take 5 minutes and complete this short survey by following the link below and offer your input to youth/ family programs you would like to see in our community. If you have any questions please contact Jill at CYC by emailing her at jill@cyconcepts.org or by phone 515-243-4292. Thank you in advance for helping CYC provide programs that will prepare our youth for success in school, work, and life!

Please follow this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9XC5BJF>