GREAT FALLS HOUSING AUTHORITY

1500 CHOWEN SPRINGS LOOP

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Great Falls, MT 59405

NOTICES

PARKING:

Just a reminder, each housing unit is allowed to park one vehicle with a valid parking permit in the parking lots. **If you have a second vehicle, or visitors, they must be parked on the streets.** Remember, the Parking policy is a 24-hour policy. **If a car is found in violation of this policy, it will be towed at the owner's expense.**

GUESTS:

If you are going to have a guest for more than two days, be sure to let your leasing manager know. Also, a reminder, they will need to park in the street not the tenant parking. **If they park in the tenant parking area, the vehicle will be towed at the owner's expense.**

RENT PAYMENTS:

If you are mailing your rent payment or putting it in the drop box, it is your responsibility to make sure **the head of household name and address are included on payment and legible. Pay to the order of: GFHA.** If we can't read your name and address, your payment could be put on the wrong account and you could end up with a late fee and a 30-day notice. **Also, if you are late with your rent payment, you will be charged a $20 late fee.**

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES:

CHRISTMAS EVE – Closing at 1:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS – DEC 25 & 26, 2025

NEW YEARS EVE – Closing at 3:00 p.m.

NEW YEARS – JAN 1, 2026

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR – JAN 19, 2026

PRESIDENTS DAY – FEB 16, 2026

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:

Call or Text your leasing manager

CAROLYN H – Section 8 406-760-1447

KORI – Leasing Manager 406-760-1466

MARION –Leasing Manager406-760-1472

RACHEL – Leasing/Applications 406-760-1475

DONNA – Program Supervisor: 406-760-1457

RYAN – Housing Inspector: 406-760-1450

OFFICER PATINA – Housing Police Officer: 406-760-1463

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Welcome new staff to the GF Housing Authority:

Kori Ford – Leasing Manager

Deanna Olson – Accounts Receivable

Phillip Staunton – Maintenance Tech Sr.

They all are learning fast and will be a great asset to our Staff. We are so happy to have them all on board.

Helpful hints for communication with our staff and returning your calls:

1. **Please leave a current phone number with your leasing manager.**
2. **Please have your voicemail set up.**
3. **Please listen to your complete voicemail and delete old messages to leave room for new voicemails.**
4. **Please unblock our number so staff can return your calls. This also helps reach you in case of an emergency.**

PREPARING FOR WINTER: How to properly drain outdoor faucets:

Make sure to turn off your outside water faucet, twisting it tightly.

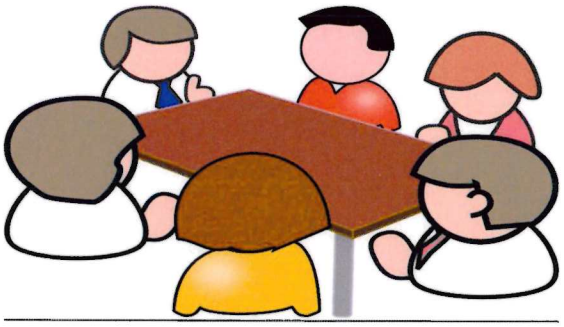
During times of cold weather, your garden hose can freeze if you leave it outside and connected to the spigot. Be sure to drain the water from the hose. When your garden hose freezes, the expansion of the water inside your hose can cause holes to form and weaken the lining of your hose. Additionally, a frozen connected garden hose can eventually lead to problems with water pressure in the water pipes and water lines residing inside your home. You could be held accountable for repair charges.

EXCESS UTILITY CHARGES

Please remember to call your leasing manager for your balance on rent, utilities and any other charges on or after the 26th of each month. It is your responsibility to have this paid.

MY APPLIANCE ISN'T WORKING- WHAT SHOULD I DO?

If your furnace, water heater, refrigerator, or stove in your unit is not working properly, Please do not attempt to open ANY covers on the appliance to try and work on it yourself. You will be charged for it and it's also a safety issue. If it's during the day,call your leasing manager (listed on page 2) or if it is after hours, call the emergency number at 406-788-0427.



GFHA BOARD MEETINGS:

December 18, 2025
January 15, 2026
February 19, 2026
12:00 p.m.
Housing Authority Board Room

WINTERTIME BLUES & CAR BUMPERS

It's that lovely time of the year again, when snow flies and the roads and streets get icy. When it snows, our maintenance crew comes in early to try and get the main sidewalks cleared. **Please have your vehicle BUMPER parked away from the curb so maintenance can clear the sidewalks easier with the plow.** Please remember you must shovel off your own porches and the sidewalks up to the main sidewalk. **Make sure your electrical cords are up and off the sidewalks before 7:30 a.m. so that our maintenance crew can keep the main sidewalks as clear as possible. If you leave the electrical cord across the sidewalk, it is not our maintenance crews' responsibility to pick them up. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SLOW DOWN WHEN CONDITIONS ARE ICY.**

Christmas Word Search

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