



RESIDENT SERVICES

APRIL 2024 NEWS

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- April Break Lunches for Kids
- College Scholarships
- FSS Newsletter
- Summer Camp Opportunity
- Community Gardens
- Community Events
 - Baseball Game
 - Art Exhibit
 - Sprig Dance
 - Nurse Visit

If you have questions or need accommodations to participate please contact Teyonda Hall thall@porthouse.org (207) 221-8003

JOB FAIR 2024



Questions? Contact
Teyonda Hall,
Director of Resident
Services at
207-221-8003 or
thall@porthouse.org

Join Portland Housing Authority, Workforce Solutions, Boys & Girls Club, Camp Ketcha, The Opportunity Alliance and Others to find out about work opportunities available in your area!

- Summer Jobs
- Custodial Work
- Healthcare
- Maintenance
- Childcare
- And Many More

Tuesday, APRIL 9 AT 10 AM

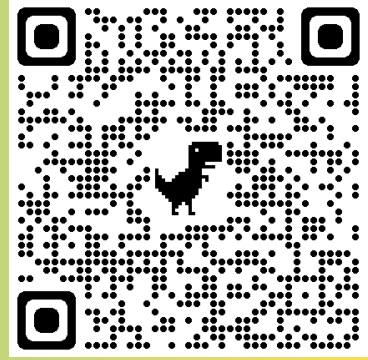
58 BOYD STREET, In the Solterra
Community Room, Portland ME 04101

Thursday, APRIL 11 AT 10 AM

2 RIVERTON DRIVE, Riverton Park
Community Room, Portland ME 40102

Sign up by Monday 4/8

APRIL BREAK LUNCH MENU



LUNCHES BY SIGN UP ONLY



Chicken
Nuggets



Baked
Macaroni &
Cheese



Chicken Wrap
with Lettuce,
Cheese, Ranch



Cheese
Sandwich



Hummus with
Pita Chips or
Veggies

Complete the form
online or with your
Service Coordinator

<https://tinyurl.com/PHALunch>

April 2024 School Break Meal Sign Up

If requested, the PHA Study Centers will provide bagged lunches for PHA children during the April school break 4/12 – 4/19/24.

*If you would like meals, please complete this form or the online form once for each youth that wants lunch **by Monday 4/8/24.***

Name of youth: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Please choose one option per day:

Fri. 4/12	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Nuggets	<input type="checkbox"/> Hummus with Pita Chips or Veggies	<input type="checkbox"/> No lunch
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All meals will include a drink, fruit, chip/cracker snack, and/or treat.

Parents or youth are expected to pick up their lunches from the Study Center or community Center they sign up with between noon and 1pm.

Suggestions for future lunches: _____

Call or text Emily (207) 221-8063 to change your order or to communicate dietary restrictions or accommodations.

Submit dietary restrictions through the google form or call/text Emily if you need an accommodation due to allergies or intolerances (207) 221-8063 Menu may change based on availability.

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PHA Scholarship Program



For more information or if you have questions about the application:

Contact Emily

call or text: (207) 221-8063

email: efitch@porthouse.org



Application and extra copies of the reference form are available at:

www.porthouse.org/301



Applications are due

May 15th, 2024

Open to everyone

Anyone who plans to attend any higher education or trade school in the fall is eligible if they are on the lease with Portland Housing! You must be accepted to the school by the end of July.

Awards up to \$5,000

Scholarship awards generally range from \$1,000 to \$2,500. Applying does not guarantee an award. The number of awards and amounts will depend on funding and the decisions of the review committee.

Study Center Scholarship Events

Visit the Study Center for more information and support on Housing related scholarships

Riverton Park

61 Riverton Drive

Thursday

4/11/24

5-6 pm

Kennedy Park

51 Mayo Street

Friday

4/12/24

2-3 pm

Sagamore Village

21 Popham Street

Friday

4/12/24

4-5 pm



Allan R. Andrews Scholarship

The Scholarship Committee will determine the number and amounts of the scholarships; no scholarship will be less than \$1,000. Scholarships are paid directly to recipients. If you have any questions, please email info@nercnahro.org or call the NERC office at (617) 742-6372.

Deadline to apply: April 29, 2024.

www.nercnahro.org/page/Scholarship2024



Housing Authority Insurance Group

The HAIG Resident Scholarship Program awards are \$6,000 each and are issued to your educational institution before the fall 2024 academic term. A total of 20 scholarships will be awarded.

Accepting electronic applications until 3:30 p.m. on Friday, May 31, 2024.

www.housingcenter.com/scholarships/



PHA Scholarship

More information available on the reverse side of this flyer.

Deadline to apply: May 15, 2024.

www.porthouse.org/301



for all things scholarship related, feel free to call, text, or email us:

Emily Mancini-Fitch
(207) 221-8063

efitch@porthouse.org



Family Self-Sufficiency Program

Virtual Information Session

What is it? What can it do for me?

**Join our staff for an overview of the
program!**

When:
Wednesday,
April 17
10-11am

*A link will be sent the
day of the session*

Adam from the
Voucher
Homeownership
Program will be
joining us to explain
how the **FSS &**
Homeownership
Programs can work
together!

CALL/TEXT 207.221.8064 OR EMAIL AJONES@PORTHOUSE.ORG

TO REGISTER BY APRIL 12

INTERPRETER SERVICES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST





Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program Overview

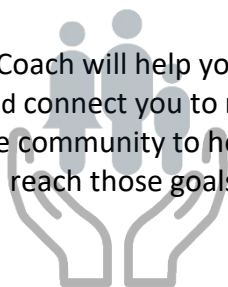
What is the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program?

FSS offers an **opportunity to save your rent increase** and **achieve your goals and dreams** within 5 years.

How the Program Works

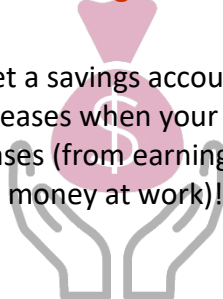
Individualized Services

An FSS Coach will help you identify goals and connect you to resources in the community to help you reach those goals.



FREE Savings Account

You get a savings account that increases when your rent increases (from earning more money at work)!



Reach Your Goals & Dreams!

- ☐ Buy your own home
- ☐ Save for education
- ☐ Pay down debt
- ☐ Buy a car
- ☐ And more!



The FSS Savings Account

Once you enroll in FSS, you become eligible to build savings through an FSS savings account. The FSS savings account is maintained by your property owner and grows as you earn more money at work.

Here's how it works...

You pay rent based on a percentage of your household income. When your household income rises, the amount you must pay toward rent also rises. **For FSS participants**, you will still pay the new higher rent to your landlord, but the housing authority will also deposit an amount equal to the increase in rent (due to income from work) into the FSS savings account. When you graduate, you can use this money for any purpose.

Eligibility

- Receive housing subsidy through the Portland Housing Authority.
- Be willing and able to work.
- Be a tenant in good standing as determined by your housing owner.

Appointment Frequency

- **You will meet with your Coach at least quarterly** to monitor progress toward your goals and connect to resources.

CALL : 207-221-8064
EMAIL: EMPOWERME@PORTHOUSE.ORG
VISIT ONLINE: BIT.LY/EMPOWERMEREFERRAL

Happening Now



Summer Camp for Girls 7-12 years old July 2 - July 11

Sign up through the Study Center

Applications Due April 12th

The Summer Camp programs provide each camper with activities that:

- Provide a sense of belonging & connection
- Nurture self-esteem
- Increase physical activity
- Teach appropriate social skills
- Develop empathy for others
- Foster appreciation for nature
- Encourage creativity & imagination
- Promote diversity & friendship
- Inspire self-advancement
- Create confident leaders

During the day, campers are in mixed-age groups to participate in scheduled camp activities. In small, supportive groups, campers sample new recreational activities, learn and improve skills, and stretch beyond their comfort zones. Some activities include:

- Canoeing, kayaking & pontoon Rides
- Swimming lessons
- Dance
- Landsports
- Food Fun Fitness
- Creative Arts
- Arts & Crafts
- Nature Exploration
- Hardy Girls Healthy Women (empowering girls)
- Literacy enrichment

Coming Soon

SEEDS & SEEDLINGS COMMUNITY GARDENS

RIVERTON PARK, SAGAMORE VILLAGE,
WASHINGTON GARDENS/FRONT STREET,
AND EAST BAYSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS

Call, Text, or email

Emily (207) 221-8063

efitch@porthouse.org

for updates and notifications
on gardening news



CA\$H GREATER PORTLAND FINANCIAL STABILITY FAIR

AT THE PORTLAND SEA DOGS

SUNDAY, MAY 5 | 11 AM



Join CA\$H Greater Portland for a day of baseball, food, fun, and financial education! Attend financial stability workshops and receive free tickets and food vouchers for the whole family.



FINANCIAL WORKSHOPS



KID-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES



FREE GAME TICKETS



FREE FOOD VOUCHERS



SCAN TO GET TICKETS OR VISIT
UWSME.ORG/CASHBASEBALL

SIGN UP BY APRIL 5

THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSOR
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WITH THE GREATER PORTLAND CA\$H COALITION.



Portland Housing
Authority and
Mayo Street Arts
Invite you to
attend the
Connections Art
Exhibit Opening

Connections Art Exhibition

May 3, 2024 5pm to 7pm
10 Mayo St, Portland, ME 04101



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Join us for a
**Spring DANCE
PARTY**
**Washington
Gardens**

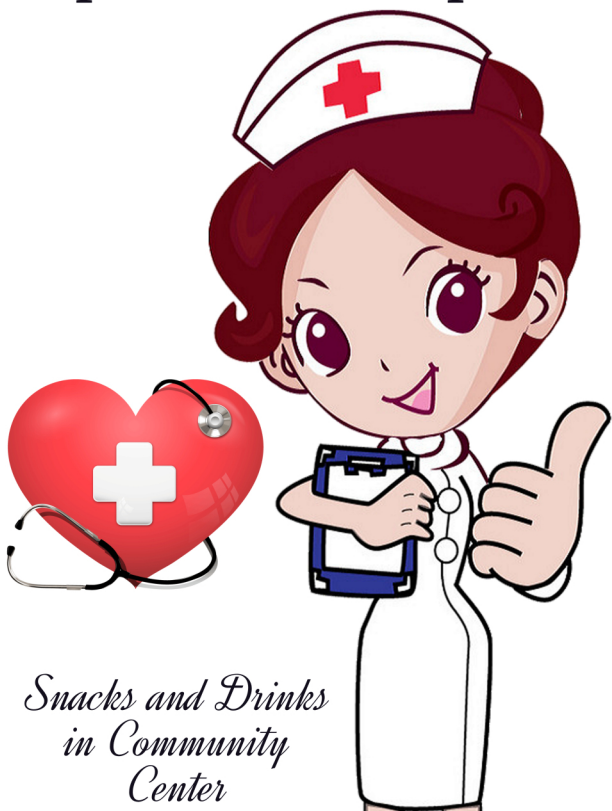
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Friday, April 26th 7pm-9pm

Community Center

Food and Drinks

Washington Gardens
Jeanne
Steinmetz, RN

April 17TH 1pm



*Snacks and Drinks
in Community
Center*