

# SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER RESIDENT UPDATES



September is a busy month as families prepare for Back-to-School and summer activities wrap up. Meanwhile, the COVID-19 Delta variant is surging across Oregon. Please take a moment to review the current guidance from Lane County Public Health, and information about rent and utility assistance listed below.

## Important Updates

- Due to the high level of transmission of COVID-19 in Lane County, **Homes for Good has decided to reschedule the September Community Night**, which was planned to be in person. Instead we will be hosting a virtual Community Night on October 27, 2021 from 4:30-6:30pm. More details to come soon!
- **Regardless of vaccination status, residents are advised to continue to:**
  - Wear masks in indoor spaces with individuals outside of your household
  - Wear masks outdoors when maintaining six feet is not possible with individuals outside of your household
  - Avoid crowded public spaces, whether in or outdoors
  - Respect other's space and maintain at least 6 feet distance from others
  - Limit activities that could lead to injuries requiring hospital care
  - If you are unvaccinated, stay home and avoid public interactions as much as possible
- **Vaccines** are available at your local pharmacy or at clinics across the County. Third doses are now available for moderately to severely immunocompromised people. If you think you are eligible for a third dose your doctor can help connect you with an appointment either in office or with Lane County Clinics.
- **Homes for Good main office will continue to remain closed to the public.** Staff can be reached as needed through their direct lines or you can call our front desk at (541) 682-3755 and they can connect you.
- **Homes for Good Site Offices are open in limited capacities for residents.** Please contact your Property Manager or Assistant Property Manager to schedule an appointment.

## Rent Assistance Programs Continue to Accept Applications

Senate Bill 282 is a law that extends the repayment period for residential rent accrued during the COVID-19 pandemic. The law gives renters until **February 28, 2022** to repay all rent accrued between **April 1, 2020** and **June 30, 2021**.

If you need assistance paying your rent or utilities, you may qualify for help. **Homes for Good staff are available to assist you with completing your application.** If you would like to schedule an appointment, please call Frankie LeeJohnson at (541) 682-2538.


If you have applied for Emergency Rental Assistance, please provide Homes for Good with documentation of your rental assistance application. Proof of an application will pause eviction proceedings for nonpayment of rent for 60 days from the time you provide Homes for Good with documentation.

- **Lane County Rent and Utility Assistance (ERRLC)**
  - To apply for this assistance over the phone, call (541) 682-3776 Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. or visit <https://www.lanecounty.org/rent>
- **Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program (OERAP)**
  - To apply for this assistance, visit [www.oregonrentalassistance.org](http://www.oregonrentalassistance.org)

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# RESIDENT REMINDERS & RESOURCES



 **Energy Assistance from the American Rescue Act now available to Low-Income Lane County residents.**



Funds are now available to help low-income households with their home heating and energy bills through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).



Funds are disbursed on a first-come, first-served basis. Home bound applicants can be assisted with completing their applications at home.



ARPA payments can be applied to Electricity, Gas, Wood, Pellets, Oil and Propane.

Apply one time per household at:  
[www.lanecountyor.gov/liheaparpa](http://www.lanecountyor.gov/liheaparpa)  
or call 541-682-3378



## REMINDER TO WEAR FACEMASKS INDOORS

TO HELP STOP THE HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS DELTA VARIANT FROM SPREADING FURTHER, **FACEMASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED IN ALL INDOOR PUBLIC SETTINGS, REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS.**



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## Apply for the Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Accepting Applications



More information available at:  
[www.oregonrentalassistance.org](http://www.oregonrentalassistance.org)



Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Applications for Financial Aid  
open on October 1st.

To apply go to:

<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>



Wednesday,  
October  
27th

**Homes for Good's  
Virtual  
Community  
Night**  
Details  
coming  
soon!

Are you looking for employment and want to boost your job search skills?

Would you like to learn about how to be best prepared for interviews and find out what employers look for when reviewing cover letters and resumes?

Join Homes for Good's Human Resources Director and Resident Services staff for our next virtual workshop.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29  
9:00AM - 10:30AM  
VIA ZOOM**

Contract Resident Services to sign up  
at (541) 682-2580.