

## Fitzgerald Housing Authority Newsletter - July 2025



### A Message from the Executive Director

Dear Residents,

Happy July! As the summer continues, we hope you are staying cool and enjoying the beautiful weather. Here at the Fitzgerald Housing Authority, we are committed to enhancing the quality of life for all our residents. This month, we have several exciting updates, upcoming events, and useful resources to share with you. We encourage you to stay engaged and take advantage of the opportunities available.

We also want to express our appreciation for your continued support and participation in our community initiatives. It's your involvement that makes our neighborhoods stronger and more connected. Thank you for being a part of the FHA family!

Best regards,

Dr. Lemond Hall

Executive Director, Fitzgerald Housing Authority

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### Community Updates & Announcements

- **July Maintenance Reminders:**

As the temperatures rise, it's essential to keep your air conditioning units in good condition. Please check that your AC units are functioning well, and if any issues

arise, submit a maintenance request. For outdoor maintenance, we ask residents to keep porches and common areas free of clutter. This not only helps with aesthetics but also ensures safety.

- **Fire Safety Awareness:**

July is Fire Safety Month! We encourage all residents to review fire safety procedures. Be sure to have smoke detectors in your home, check their batteries regularly, and know the emergency exits in your building. Additionally, if you have any fire safety concerns or need assistance, don't hesitate to contact our office.

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## Upcoming Events

- **FHA Summer Program Field Trip – Bowling Fun in Tifton!**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Summer Program field trip to the bowling alley in Tifton, GA! It was a fantastic day filled with strikes, spares, smiles, and laughter. We appreciate your involvement and look forward to more exciting outings that bring our community together and create lasting memories.

- **Youth Summer Program (June 2025)**

Our Youth Summer Camp is in full swing! Campers recently enjoyed an exciting field trip to the Flint RiverQuarium in Albany, GA, where they explored aquatic exhibits and learned about Georgia's unique ecosystem. Thank you to all the parents who signed up their children for this fantastic program.

- **Upcoming Field Trip: Carnegie Center for the Arts Camp – July 10**

We're excited to announce our upcoming Summer Program field trip to the Carnegie Center for the Arts Camp on Thursday, July 10! Campers will enjoy hands-on creative activities and explore various forms of visual art in a fun and educational setting. This is a great opportunity for youth to express themselves artistically and engage with their peers. We can't wait to see their creativity shine!

- **Upcoming Back to School Drive – July 10**

Mark your calendars for our Back-to-School Drive on Thursday, July 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the FHA office! We'll be giving away school supplies to help students start the new year off right. This event is open to all FHA residents with school-aged children. Come early, as supplies are limited. Let's get our kids ready for a successful school year!

**Sponsored by the Fitzgerald Housing Authority and donations from Walmart #686 in Fitzgerald, GA.**

- **2025 Youth Leadership Conference – July 13–16**

We're excited to announce that four students will be attending the 2025 Youth Leadership Conference at the Nantahala Outdoor Center in Bryson City, NC, from July 13–16, 2025! This incredible opportunity includes **campfire fun, zip-lining adventures, paddleboarding, and guided rafting**—all designed to build leadership skills, teamwork, and self-confidence. We're proud to support our youth as they engage in this unforgettable experience!

- **Free Health & Wellness Seminar – Date To Be Announced**

Stay tuned for our upcoming Health & Wellness Seminar! This event will cover a variety of important topics, including nutrition, mental health, and staying active. Local health experts will be on hand to provide valuable information and answer your questions.

The date will be announced soon, so keep an eye out for updates. Don't miss this opportunity to prioritize your well-being!

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## Program Highlights

- **Job Training & Employment Services:**

We will be offering job training and employment services for residents seeking work or career advancement. The program includes résumé writing, interview preparation, job listings, and job placement assistance. To get started, simply contact the office, and we will schedule an appointment to help you achieve your goals.

- **Effective August 1, 2025. Community Volunteer Opportunities:**

Volunteering is a great way to give back and stay actively involved in our community. If you're interested in volunteering for FHA events, programs, or services, we'd love to have you join us. Please contact our office to learn more about available volunteer opportunities. This is also a great way to fulfill your monthly 8-hour community service requirement.

- **Now Accepting Debit Card Payments**

The Fitzgerald Housing Authority is now accepting debit card payments for your convenience.

**Please note:**

- We no longer accept cash payments in the drop box.
- A **3% processing fee** will apply to all debit card transactions.
- Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to improve our services.

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## **Maintenance Tip of the Month**

### **Preventing Overheating in Your Home:**

With the heat of July, it's important to keep your home cool and comfortable. Here are a few quick tips to help beat the heat:

- **Close blinds and curtains** during the day to block out the sun.
- **Seal any gaps** around doors and windows to prevent warm air from entering.
- **Avoid using heat-generating appliances** (like stoves and ovens) during the hottest part of the day.

If your air conditioner isn't cooling your apartment properly, please contact us to request a maintenance check.

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## **Stay Connected**

We want to hear from you! Feel free to contact us with any questions or feedback. You can also follow us on social media for updates and news about events and services:

- Online via our resident portal
- By phone (229) 423-3755
- In person at the office

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## **Thank You for Being Part of Our Community!**

As always, we are here to support you. We hope you enjoy the remainder of the summer and take advantage of the events and services available to you. Let's continue to work together to create a safe, supportive, and vibrant community for all!

Wishing you a wonderful July!

### **Office Staff**

Dr. Lemond Hall – Executive Director  
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Dana Greer – Occupancy Clerk  
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Latasha Ransey - Cashier

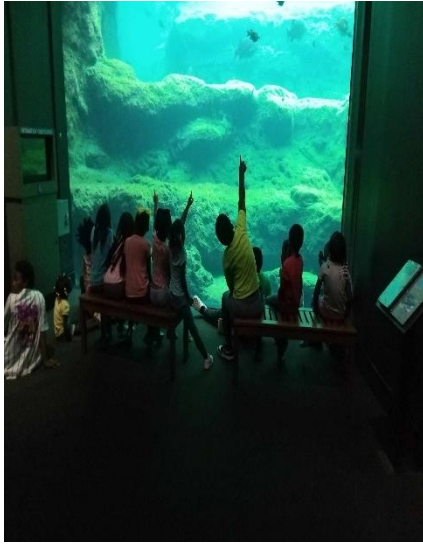
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Don Hill – Maintenance  
Lamar Crockett – Maintenance  
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Jacob Stone – Lawn Care (Summer)  
Landon Swanson - Lawn Care (Summer)

Fitzgerald Housing Authority Bowling Alley – Tifton, GA





Fitzgerald Housing Authority Flint RiverQuarium – Albany, GA





## Fitzgerald Housing Authority Juneteenth Monitor Enrichment Program Collaboration

