

Fitzgerald Housing Authority March 2026 Newsletter



Message from the Executive Director

Dear Residents,

As we welcome the month of March, we also welcome the signs of change and renewal that come with the approaching spring season. This time of year, reminds us that growth, fresh starts, and progress are always possible—both within our community and in our individual lives.

I want to take a moment to thank each of you for being an important part of the FHA community. Your cooperation, respect for one another, and commitment to maintaining a safe and welcoming environment make a meaningful difference every day. Strong communities are built not only on buildings and programs, but on the people who call them home.

This month, we will continue focusing on maintaining high standards across our properties, improving response times for maintenance requests, and strengthening resident services. If you have submitted a work order or have a concern, please know that our team is working diligently to address all requests as efficiently as possible. Your patience and communication are greatly appreciated.

March is also a great time to reconnect with neighbors and participate in community activities. We encourage you to stay informed through posted notices and upcoming announcements regarding resident meetings and events. Your voice matters, and your feedback helps us serve you better.

As always, if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to reach out to the management office. We are here to support you.

Thank you for being a valued member of the FHA community. We look forward to a productive and positive month ahead.

Warm regards,

Dr. Lemond Hall

Executive Director, Fitzgerald Housing Authority

Important Dates

 **March 2, 2026-March 5, 2026:** NSPIRE Inspections

The National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate is the new inspection model implemented by HUD to strengthen how HUD-assisted properties are evaluated. NSPIRE replaces previous inspection systems and introduces a more modern approach centered on resident well-being.

Summer Feeding Program – July 2026

We're excited to announce that the Summer Feeding Program will return this July!  

There will be **two convenient locations**:

- **123 South Marion Ave** – the original site
- **Roanoke Homes, 648 Riggs Ave** – our new location

 Dates and times will be shared soon, so stay tuned for updates. This program provides free meals to children and families during the summer months — a great way to keep everyone healthy and energized!  

 **Board of Commissioners Meeting**

 **March 19, 2026**

 **5:30 PM**

 Fitzgerald Housing Authority Conference Room 314 S. Sherman Street

Residents are encouraged to attend! This is your opportunity to voice concerns, learn about upcoming projects, and hear about FHA programs.

 *Light refreshments will be served.*

 **Resident Advisory Board Meeting**

 **Friday, March 27, 2026**

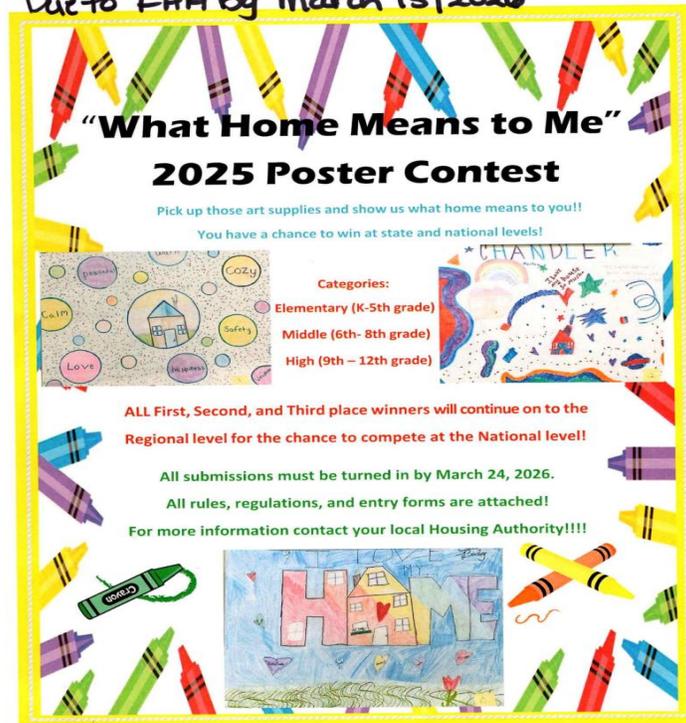
 **11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

 Fitzgerald Housing Authority, 314 S. Sherman Street

This meeting is for Resident Advisory Board members and will focus on upcoming changes, community events, and resident involvement opportunities.

 *Light refreshments provided.*

Due to FHA by March 13, 2026



🎨 Upcoming Events

🎨 SERC/NAHRO “What Home Means to Me” Poster Contest

Students may enter in **Elementary, Middle School, or High School** categories.

🏆 Awards:

- **1st Place:** Art kit + \$25 gift card + GAHRA certificate
- **2nd & 3rd Place:** Art kit + certificate

Winners advance to the SERC Annual Conference—and possibly the **National NAHRO level**, with a chance to be featured in the **2027 NAHRO Calendar!**

📌 Posters and required paperwork must be submitted to FHA by **March 13, 2026, at 12:00 noon.**



 **March Madness Celebration**

 **Saturday, March 7, 2026**

 **11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

 **Roanoke Homes, Riggs Drive**

This day will be packed with fun-filled sports activities, field day games, and music for residents of all ages! Kids will especially enjoy the kiddie train ride and exciting bouncy houses—fun for the whole family! Join us for a fun-filled resident engagement event!

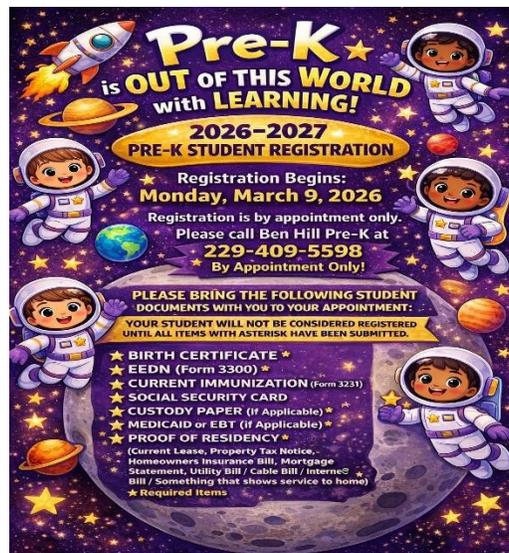


👉 Community Engagement and more Upcoming Events

Get ready for fun and community activities this spring and summer! 🎉

- 🥚 **Easter Egg Hunt** – April 3, 2026 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM | Roanoke Homes
- 🧁 **Muffins for Mom** – May 7, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM | Fitzgerald Housing Authority
- 🍩 **Donuts for Dad** – June 18, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM | Fitzgerald Housing Authority

More detailed information about each event will be shared at a later date. Stay tuned and mark your calendars! ❤️



📄 Pre-K Registration Now Open!

Registration for Ben Hill Pre-K begins March 9, 2026. If you have a child ready to start Pre-K, now is the time to get them signed up!

📞 For more information, please call 229-409-5598.

⚠️ Important Reminders

- Please report any maintenance issues promptly so they can be addressed quickly. 🛠️
- Keep common areas clean and free of clutter to ensure safety for all residents. 🧹
- Observe community rules regarding noise, parking, and pets to maintain a peaceful environment. 🚗 🐾
- Watch for updates on inspections, events, and programs in future newsletters. 📧

Thank you for helping us keep our community safe, clean, and welcoming! 🤍



✏️ After-School Tutoring Program (FREE!)

📅 Tuesday–Thursday

🕒 4:00 PM–6:00 PM

🎒 After School Program

Our After School Program offers a supportive and engaging environment for children!

📚 ✨ Kids can receive **homework help**, enjoy **social and play activities**, and have a **healthy afternoon snack**. 🍏

Be sure to **sign your child up** to join this fun and educational experience! 🎨 🏀

Maintenance Requests

Please contact the office to submit work orders.

 Emergency requests include:

- Smell of gas
- Power outage

Non-emergency repairs may take up to **48 hours**.

Rent Payment & Late Fees

- Rent due by the **5th business day** of each month
- Late fees apply to unpaid balances
- Mandatory meetings are required for late rent
- Repeated late payments may result in lease violations or court processing

Ways to Pay:

- Cash, money order, or debit card (office hours)
 - Online: www.housingauthorityfitz.com
 - Drop box: Money orders only (no cash)
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Looking Ahead

Coming Soon

Exciting programs and opportunities are on the way! 

-  **Financial Literacy Workshops** – Learn to manage money and plan for the future
-  **Job Readiness Classes** – Build skills for success in the workplace
-  **Fitness & Health Education** – Tips and activities to stay healthy
-  **Summer Feeding Program** – New location at Roanoke Homes
-  **After School Program Activities** – Make sure your child is signed up to participate

Stay tuned—more details will be shared next month! 

Stay Connected

Main Office: **(229) 423-3755**

Website: www.housingauthorityfitz.com

Office Hours:

Monday–Friday | 7:45 AM–5:30 PM

Let's make March a month full of renewal, connection, and community growth. 

Thank you for being a valued part of Fitzgerald Housing Authority—we look forward to a productive and positive year ahead! 

Warm regards,

The Fitzgerald Housing Authority Team