## NEWSLETTER OF THE SAN MARCOS HOUSING AUTHORITY



The SMHA has learning centers at our various sites, and host a variety of activities and organizations at each one. We love hearing from our community partners about their experiences when utilizing our space! Here's a message from Andrea Maxwell who helps facilitate the election services located in the KAD Korner Store!

My name is Andrea Maxwell, and I am a poll worker for Hays county elections. I have had the privilege for the last few elections to be posted at CM Allen homes and witness Mrs. Bonnie and her volunteers in action. While at the after school program the children get a meal, help with homework, arts and crafts and constructive play. Most important is the care, attention, encouragement and the safe place to be until parents can get home for work. They really care about the children's welfare.



I also learned that there are programs for the elderly in the community. At the time that I was there, they were preparing for a birthday party for one of the seniors in the community. They have bingo nights, seminars on cooking and health and wellness benefits and that's just a few of the things that go on here.

Bonnie's guidance, love, and care for this community should be, and in fact is, a model upon which we can build a better world. I am truly Inspired.

In need of some school supplies? For residents of the SMHA only: When: Saturday, August 6, 2022 - Time: 9-12 pm

Where: At all housing locations (CM Allen, Allen Woods, Porter Homes, Springtown Villas & Chapultepec Homes)

Please note: Section 8 housing will pick up backpacks at the Allen Woods location.

*Proof of address and ID required on day of pickup.* For more information, please call Brenda at 512-644-0665.

Best of luck to all the students with the new school year adventure!



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#### August 2022

# ALLEN WOODS HOMES — PODER LEARNING CENTER





The children at the PODER summer program had a busy July! They got to interact and learn about animals at the Animal World and Snake Farm Zoo, beat the heat with a long day at Schlitterbahn, and many other fun adventures! We are coming up to our last week at the summer program, and are going to cap it off with a big trip to Austin's Park and Pizza!



Our community events are also becoming very active again! With coffee socials every Monday and Bingo every Wednesday from 10-11 AM. Come see your neighbor while enjoying a cup of coffee and a few rounds of bingo!



# Springtown Villa

Movie Day just keeps getting more and more popular. Every Thursday at 3:00 PM we all gather in the community room for an afternoon movie. I think most people are doing their best to plan around the hottest part of the day. Choosing to relax with friends and have a cool drink is an excellent way to beat the heat. Come join us! What movie do you want to see?





Lourdes Morales has been visiting Springtown Villa for a long time now. She has been a great friend to our community. She hosts a BINGO game every month but more importantly, she helps us by providing prizes that can't be purchased by SNAP like cleaning supplies and other things. She can help with all your questions as well.

Miranda Walker with Hays Co. Food Bank is back! Miranda had scheduled some time off for more education and training. We were all glad to welcome her return to Springtown. This time around she taught us to make delicious vegetarian quesadillas. Everyone that participated gained some first-hand experience and a new recipe to try.



# C. M. ALLEN HOMES — KAD KORNER STORE



# Summer Fun at the KAD Center

We have had a great summer at KAD. The kids have had field trips to places like Schlitterbahn and Dairy Queen. They did lots of other activities like art class, games, making homemade ice cream and more! There's still more activities planned for August. Stop by the KAD center for information.

Come by the KAD Center Monday-Friday 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM for free breakfast and lunch. You can now carry it out. The last day of the feeding and summer program is August 5th. Our Afterschool program will begin on the first day of school **August 22 from 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM.** Come sign up at the KAD

Center. A huge thank you to Cenikor, Salvation Army, Arcil, ArtSpace, and residents Mary Limon and Evelia Albarado for making this summer great!



Way to go Apt. 231. Your front porch looks amazing!



Upcoming Events L Reminders: Every Wednesday Bingo at 1:30 PM.

Coming Soon: School Supply Drive
Senior Nutrition
Class
Tuesday's Adult
Craft Class A Note from our Intern Christy:

I am so sad, but the time has come for my internship to come to a close. I have loved every minute of being with you at the KAD Center. A special thank you to Bonnie and Gene for the opportunity to serve here and learn so many valuable lessons that I will carry forever. Thank you to all the residents for allowing me into your lives and working alongside you. This place holds a special place in my heart.  $\sim Christy G$ .

# **CHAPULTEPEC HOMES & ADULT LEARNING CENTER**



The new school year is about to begin! We're excited for all of the students, kids and adults, who are starting their new semester!

Let's kick off the new school year with a Back to School Party! Join us August 18 in the Chapultepec Adult Learning Center. You can come and go as you please. Doors will be open from 5-7 PM for dinner, school supplies, and games with prizes for kids and adults! We hope to see you there! In July we had a great class on Child Development, presented by Avery Limberg, our intern for the summer! We also had a resume building workshop! If you would like to learn more about either of those topics, please come by the office and we can give you some of the learning materials from the meetings and discuss the class!



# A goodbye from our incredible summer intern!

Through my internship experience at the San Marcos Housing Authority, I have learned so much by working with a variety of individuals from different backgrounds. I have enjoyed every minute of this experience even though there were challenges along the way. The more that you step out of your comfort zone, the more that you will grow! I want to say thank you all for allowing me to be a part of this organization for the summer because as much as you may have learned from me, I learned from you! - Avery Limberg

August 2022						
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21	BACK TO SCHOOL !	23	24	25	26	
28	29	30	31	Click on the images to learn more about August 2022. Access an electronic copy from our website at smpha.org. Check the resident services office at your site for special events for your neighborhood!		

### LEADERSHIP

**Board of Commissioners** Gloria Salazar — Chairperson Mittie Miller — Vice-Chairperson Adriana Castillo — Commissioner

**Executive Director** 

Lana Wagner

Commissioners meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 6:30 PM.

## HOUSING OFFICES

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Chapultepec Homes

512-396-3364

Housing Choice Voucher 512-353-5061 Springtown Villa

512-396-3363

## **RESIDENT SERVICES**

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512-396-3364

CM Allen KAD Korner Store 512-392-6273

Allen Woods PODER

Learning Center

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Springtown Villa 512-353-7343