

# Newark Housing Authority:

Executive Director: Marie Wasman

331-1574

• Ext. 25 Kari

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**OR** 

Emergency After Hours 331-8294

Fire/Police 911

#### **New Office Hours:**

Mon: 8:30-12:00

1:00-4:30

Tues: 8:30-12:00

1:00-4:30

Wed: 8:30-12:00 \*\*\*<u>1:00-4:30 by</u> appointment only\*\*\*

Thurs: 8:30-12:00

1:00-4:30

Fri: 8:30-12:00

1:00-4:30

Closed Monday-Friday 12:00-1:00 for lunch



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www.newarknyhousing.org
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#### **How Rent is Determined**

The rent you pay is either 30% of your adjusted gross income or a flat/ceiling rent, whichever is less. Your family's income as well as who is in the household determines your individual rent. When a family has any change in income or household status, this change <u>must be reported in writing within</u> 10 days of the change.

These changes don't always result in an increase in your rent. Recently, we have had some tenants fail to report that they are out of work or have decreased hours. Had they called the office and reported this, their rent would have decreased and they wouldn't be owing the housing authority a significant amount of money.

Please be sure to keep your income and household composition up to date with the office to avoid putting your family in situations like this.

### **Ready to Quit?**

Are you ready to...

- quit smoking?
- make changes to your daily routine?
- start a tobacco free life?

WCPH's tobacco cessation program can offer:

- Free 6 month supply of nicotine patches, gum, or lozenges for eligible
   Wayne County residents
- Individual or group counseling
- Printed educational materials

Call Wayne County Public Health for FREE counseling and support:

1-315-946-5749 or

1-800-724-1170



## NYSEG bill higher than usual??

Have you noticed an increase in your NYSEG bill lately? Is this increase due to increased gas and electric consumption or is there another reason?

Has a telemarketer called you recently, promising substantial savings if you switch from NYSEG to an energy service company (ESCO)? If you agreed to switch, this may be the cause of your increased NYSEG bill. ESCOs aggressive sales pitch offers promised savings that may sound tempting, but are they real? If you choose to buy your electricity or gas from an ESCO instead of NYSEG, any savings achieved are limited to the supply portion of your bill only, as the energy itself is still delivered by NYSEG.

There have been several complaints that some ESCO representatives make false statements, engaging in misleading marketing practices such as promised savings that don't materialize.

Some consumers complain that they don't actually save money while others complain that the savings are minimal. Some ESCO customers wind up paying even more than they did with NYSEG.

Check your bill to see if your gas and electricity is coming from NYSEG or an ESCO. This may be the cause of your higher bill. Investigate to see what's best for you!!

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### **Important Dates to Remember:**

Tuesday, 3/1/16—10:30 & 5:00 pm—Northview Terrace/Windsong Terrace information meeting regarding No Smoking Policy—tenant meeting room at 200 Driving Park Circle

Thursday, 3/3/16—FoodLink truck at 200 East Miller "Hi-Rise" from approximately 12:00 pm to 12:15 pm depending on weather conditions

Monday, 3/7/16—14 Day Notices and Late Fees issued for month of March if rent not paid by 4:30 pm on Friday, 3/4/16

Week of 3/21/16—Annual Inspections for families with March recert date
Wednesday, 3/23/16—Court for 14 Day Notices issued in February if not paid

Friday, 3/25/16—Office Closed in observance of Good Friday