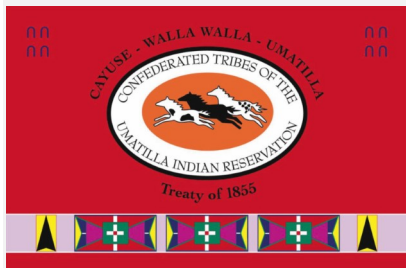
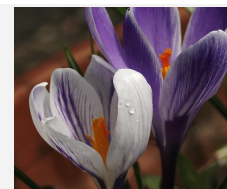


# APRIL



**Housing office open Mon-Fri: 7:30-4:00 (closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch)**

**Phone: 541-429-7920**

**Email: [Housing@ctuir.org](mailto:Housing@ctuir.org)**

*Leave a message and we will call you back.*

**Emergency work orders (after hours, weekends & holidays): Call UTPD 541-278-0550**

**Maintenance Staff will be notified.**

**Resident Services:**

Keny Mitchell, Heather DeMary, Kimberly Hughes, Tina Baum

**Administration:**

Paula Wagner-Bellingham

**Procurement:**

Penny Bott

**Maintenance:**

Tanner Michael, Lance Dick, Garrell Moore, Chris Marsh Sr., Marcus Conner, KC Picard, Tim Cain, Ron Snyder, Herbert Klatush

**Groundskeeping:**

Tiya-Po Farrow

**Bolster Lead:**

David McKay

**Housing Director:** Marcus L. Luke II

**Housing Office is OPEN—limited to 2 visitors from the same household, please. Make an appointment if you can. Thank you!**

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HOUSING DEPARTMENT

# HD Newsletter

If you have comments or concerns, please feel free to send an email to the Housing Commission @ [housingcommission@ctuir.org](mailto:housingcommission@ctuir.org)

Chair: Lindsey X. Watchman  
Members: Melinda Alexander, Cami Lewis, Tom Pierre, Sr. and Katrina Burnside

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays each month (1-3pm)



**Sunday, April 17th  
Easter**

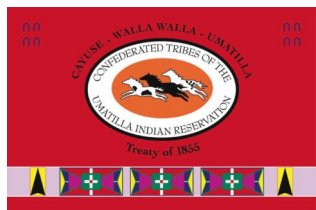


**Friday, April 22nd  
EARTH DAY**

**FRIDGE PHONE NUMBERS**

- Animal Control (UTPD) 541-278-0550
- Arrowhead 541-276-8080
- BIA 541-278-3786
- CAPECO 541-276-1926
- Cayuse Tech 541-278-8200
- Court 541-429-1970
- DCFS 541-429-7300
- Enrollment 541-276-7035
- Governance Center 541-429-7134
- Human Resources 541-429-7180
- Kayak 541-429-7519
- Mission Market 541-276-9082
- Nixyáawii Financial Sv. 541-304-2387
- Senior Center 541-240-8700
- Tamastlikt 541-429-7700
- TERF 541-276-4040
- UTPD 541-278-0550
- Veterans Svc. Rep. 541-429-7389
- Wildhorse 541-278-2274
- Wildhorse Shuttle 541-966-1930
- Yellowhawk 541-966-9830

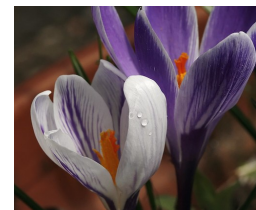
- Cascade Nat. Gas 888-522-1130
- Pacific Power 888-221-7070
- Umatilla Electric 541-567-6414
- Social Security Office 877-405-0480



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## REMINDERS FROM RESIDENT SERVICES & ADMINISTRATION

- \* **Rent is due on the 1st** of each month, regardless of receiving a statement or not.
- \* **Your recent payment** may not be reflected on your statement. Call the Office to clarify.
- \* **New TERF charges** will begin to show on your statements beginning May 1st. This is a \$3 increase in fee.
- \* **Return documentation** and other requested information to your coordinator as soon as possible. Most documents are **time sensitive!**
- \* **Always leave a message** on the voicemail if the office does not answer. We may be on another call or away from the desk. This will ensure we can call you back!
- \* **Home Owners** are scattered within rental units; however, Housing does **not** have the authority to enforce policies on them.
- \* **Stay in compliance** with your lease and the Admissions and Occupancy Policy. Ask your coordinator if you have questions.

## REMINDERS FROM THE MAINTENANCE SHOP

- \* **Do not park vehicles on the grass/yard**, only in designated parking spots. Please remind your friends and neighbors.
- \* **Call Housing immediately** for water leaks, no heat or no hot water.—UTPD for emergencies when Housing is closed: 541-278-0550
- \* **Put trash and recycling in its place.** Do not store belongings in carports and patios. This is a health and safety standard that is enforced in Housing's policies.
- \* **Call if a street light is out**, have the closest address and a pole # if possible.
- \* **Keep pests away** by quickly cleaning up food and drink spills, crumbs, food wrappers, dirty dishes and trash in all areas of the home.
- \* **TERF will charge extra** for over-filled cans. Please be sure your lids will close.
- \* **Pick up debris, balls, toys** from the grass and keep flowers/plants marked clearly so yard crew doesn't accidentally hit with trimmers or mowers.

Always call UTPD when you witness trespassing, property destruction, cars illegally parked, disturbances, strange or unlawful behavior. Housing does NOT have authority to respond to these kinds of reports!

## CTUIR COMMUNITY PICNIC IS BACK

**Save the Date!**

**August 11th 4pm-7pm**

BBQ ~ Games ~ Raffle Prizes  
Fun for Everyone

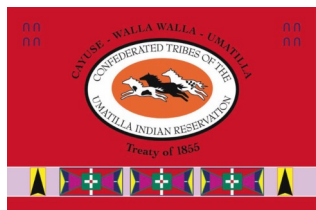
To Volunteer or Donate  
Call Housing Department 541-429-7920

## SPRING CLEAN UP!

Trailers will be placed around  
communities for  
**FREE dumping**  
over the  
weekends







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## Who do I call?

If a senior is experiencing violence?

To report abuse call  
**1-855-503-SAFE (7233)**  
or your local DHS office.

For more information and to find  
your local office please visit  
[www.oregon.gov/DHS/abuse/Pages/index.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/abuse/Pages/index.aspx).

Reporting Abuse  
of Older Adults  
and People with  
Physical Disabilities

What happens if your valuables are damaged or destroyed  
in a disaster?

**You can, and should, get Renter's Insurance.**

**Housing Department highly recommends!**

Call Amerind, it's a tribally-owned and operated insurance company:

**1-800-352-3496**



**AMERIND Risk**

*Tribes Protecting Tribes*

COMMUNITY CENTERED

*Accessible to You.*

Find us in the community doing  
outreach and blood pressure checks!

**APRIL 8**

FIND SCHEDULE ON  
EVENTS PAGE!

Did  
you  
know?

# PLAYGROUND TOYS

## COMPLIANCE REMINDER:

- Items such as trampolines, swimming/wading pools, jungle gyms and swing sets **MUST** be approved before you can keep them within CTUIR's housing.
- Tenant **MUST** have a Renter's Insurance Policy for no less than \$100,000 per incident and no less than \$1,000,000 for swimming pool, and must maintain the policy.
- A Liability Waiver must be signed by the lease holder, and approved by the Housing Department Director.

**It's very simple, and insurance is typically very affordable. Stay in compliance!**

**REMEMBER TO UPDATE your payroll deducts (PRD) to match the increase in TERF monthly charges before May 1st!** If you work for:

- ⇒ CTUIR
- ⇒ Wildhorse/Mission Market/Arrowhead/Hamley's
- ⇒ Yellowhawk
- ⇒ Cayuse Technologies

**\$3 increase  
per month for  
TERF services  
starts May 1st!!**



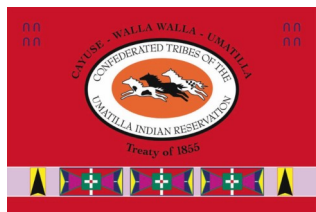
## April showers bring May flowers!

It's officially Spring! Yards and trees return to green, crocus and daffodils pop from the dirt, birds return, and frogs start croaking! What a beautiful time of year, and we hope you find happiness in the changing season. Housing Department is happy to announce the return of the Community Picnic, which has been 2 years postponed due to the pandemic. The return to normal days and events is a welcome change! We hope that this event will be just as fun for you as we believe it will be. Housing Staff and other volunteers are working on a lot of things to provide a great event for you. Hoping you have a wonderful Spring with family, friends and happiness!

Sincerely,

**Housing Department Staff**

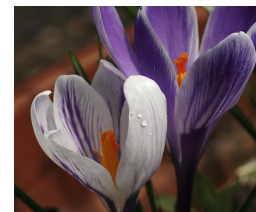




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# Ask Dr. Per Cap

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**ASK**  
DR. PER CAP

### INFLATION WOES

*Dear Dr. Per Cap:*

*I hear inflation is the reason prices are rising. What's go on?*

*Signed,  
Worried Budget*

Dear Worried Budget

The simplest and best way I know to describe inflation is how much more you have to pay this year than last year to achieve the same level of well-being.

We all know that over time things go up in price – rent, food, cars, college degrees. Rising prices are no joke and I'm old enough to remember when you could fill up a gas tank for ten bucks and buy a Big Mac for less than three quarters.

A little inflation is a normal part of a healthy economy, but if inflation gets too high and things get too expensive, consumers stop spending money. This hurts the economy and creates problems for businesses and consumers. High inflation is usually caused by a really strong economy in which consumers have lots of cash. Everybody wants to buy stuff which creates pressure on materials and labor for goods and services as well as transportation. Limited supply and strong demand causes things to increase in price – always has, always will.

According to the consumer price index (CPI), a common tool for measuring inflation, we're currently experiencing the steepest rise in inflation in four decades. CPI is a statistical gauge which calculates the price changes of about 300 common goods and services. As of January consumer prices are up 7.5% from the year before. That's almost triple the inflation rate typically seen in the U.S.

This current bout of inflation is mostly the result of a strong post-pandemic economic recovery that's gotten a little too hot. With so many people eating out again, shopping, and traveling businesses are struggling to keep up. They pay more for inventory and to hire employees. Then they pass these costs onto consumers by raising prices. The global computer chip shortage is another factor driving up prices for big ticket items like vehicles and appliances. This all makes life tough for families who have to pay bills. High inflation is also bad for investors because asset prices usually tumble when an economy goes south.

We're all paying more now for everything from donuts to doorknobs with some retail stores and restaurants hiking prices by as much as 4%. We're also seeing fewer discounts and "shrink-flation" which occurs when products don't come with a higher price tag but are repackaged in smaller weights and quantities. Like a few years ago when orange juice bottles magically shrank from 64 ounces to 59 ounces. Talk about a day without sunshine.

Some businesses are even sneakier about passing higher costs onto consumers. Like hotels that only change sheets between guests or cancel the free airport shuttle. Or restaurants that tack a 3% Covid surcharge to your bill.

I think we're going to be dealing with these higher prices for the foreseeable future. So a good way to fight inflation is to sock away a few extra bucks to inflate your savings cushion.