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HOURS: Monday-Friday 7:30-4:00 (Closed 12:00-1:00) **PHONE:** 541-429-7920 (Leave a message to have your call returned.) **EMAIL:** housing@ctuir.org Our office is closed for Tribal & Federal holidays. Payments happily accepted until 3:30pm.

Call UTPD 541-278-0550 after-hours, weekends, or holidays for emergencies such as no water, no heat, water leaks, or safety issues. UTPD will notify Housing's on-call maintenance staff.

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March 9th, Daylight Saving

Starts



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Spring Break Tips & Ideas

- ⇒ Kids will be outside playing so watch carefully while driving in residential areas and parks.
- ⇒ Please keep dogs on a leash, especially with little kids around.
- \Rightarrow Be sure kids, especially little ones, are appropriately dressed for the weather.
- \Rightarrow Teach kids who they can trust near where you live. (And perhaps those they should not.)
- ⇒ Give a trusted neighbor your emergency contact information, such as a close friend or family member. It may not hurt to give them your work phone number.
- \Rightarrow Be sure your kid's phone is fully charged, or ensure they have access to one.
- ⇒ Teach your kids what they can prepare in the kitchen and what is "hands off!" without an adult.
- \Rightarrow Prepare grab-n-go snacks or meals with them.
- ⇒ Give a *To Do* list, or tasks to help around the house that will earn some extra cash, or a fun event in trade.
- \Rightarrow Get new (or new to them) books to read.
- \Rightarrow Make a challenge that the kids stay off games, media, or TV for half a day and they get a "prize".
- ⇒ Enjoy any free time with the little ones by going for a walk, or doing another fun outdoor activity together.







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Ditto's

3 Rules

Pendleton Schools Dist. Spring Break March 24th-28th. Keep an eye on our kids!



Nicht-Yow-Way Senior Center Be Fit Group Fitness

51 Umatilla Loop

Pendleton, OR

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Open to all!

Every Thursday

Questions?

Call Chelsey Minthorn 541.240.8443

10:30 - 11 am

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Housekeeping House Inspector's Tips

How to Clean the Bathroom Fan

How often should I clean my bathroom fan?

The frequency of cleaning depends on usage patterns and environmental factors.

In general, it's recommended to clean your bathroom fan every month, or more often if your bathroom is particularly humid or prone to moisture buildup.

Materials needed to clean my bathroom fan: You will need a soft cloth or brush, a vacuum cleaner with a brush attachment, and a mild cleaning solution. Avoid using abrasive cleaners or harsh chemicals, as these can damage the fan components.

How do I safely turn off the power to my bathroom fan?

Before cleaning, always turn off the power to the bathroom fan at the circuit breaker or fuse box. This ensures your safety by preventing electrical shock.

How do I clean the fan motor?

Use the vacuum cleaner brush attachment to gently remove dust and debris from the fan motor. Avoid touching the motor with wet cloths or cleaning solutions, as this can damage the electrical components.

What are the benefits of regularly cleaning my bathroom fan?

Regular cleaning improves air quality, reduces the risk of mold and mildew growth, extends the lifespan of your fan, and enhances its energy efficiency.

By following these guidelines and addressing common concerns, you can effectively clean your bathroom fan and maintain a healthy and comfortable bathroom environment.

NOTICE: For CTUIR Housing Elder tenants (Age 65 and older), and anyone that is unable to complete the routine housekeeping of their bathroom fan, please contact Housing Department to request a work order to get assistance from maintenance.

Question: Why should you not cover windows with blankets? *Answer:*

- Air circulation: Even with a well-fitted blanket, air may still circulate around the edges, allowing cold air to enter and warm air to escape.
- **Condensation**: Insulating windows with blankets can also lead to condensation, which <u>can create mold and mildew</u>.
- **Dust and allergens**: Blankets can trap dust and other allergens, which can exacerbate <u>respiratory issues</u>.

Curtains and blinds are the best option for covering windows, please let us know if your blinds need replaced.







DRIVERS, HOUSING TENANTS, DO NOT park in the yard, grass, or any other NON-designated parking area! This causes costly damage to the property. Tenants may be charged for repairs!



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HOUSING REMINDERS

- Call after-hours/holidays, emergency work orders to UTPD at 541-278-0550 (no heat, no hot water, etc.)
- Call us for water leaks or other plumbing issues right way.
- * Drafty doors or windows seals need replaced? Call in a work order.
- Have mice or other pest control issues? Keep trash, food spills & crumbs cleaned. Call if pest control issues are persistent or out of control.
- Keep the thermostat at around 62 degrees during freezing temperatures.
- * Open under-sink cabinets to help keep from freezing pipes.
- Do not cover windows with heavy blankets, as this could cause other unhealthy risks.
- * Be cautious of certain ice-melt products, some may be harmful to children and animals.
- * Call TERF for delay updates, 541-276-4040.
- * Help your neighbors, keep a watchful eye out for Elders and children.
- * Call suspicious or illegal activity to UTPD, 541-278-0550.

Water Heaters

- Do not store or set items on top of the water heater.
- Do not store items around the base of the water heater.

Doing so is hazardous since items like clothing can not only obstruct the operation of the water heater, but may also cause a fire hazard.



Housing Office	541-429-7920
Animal Control (UTPD)	541-278-0550
Arrowhead	541-276-8080
BIA	541-278-3786
CAPECO	541-276-1926
Cayuse Technologies	541-278-8200
CTUIR Courts	541-429-1970
CTUIR DCFS	541-429-7300
CTUIR Enrollment	541-429-7035
CTUIR HR Dept.	541-429-7180
Governance Center	541-429-7134
Kayak	541-429-7519
Mission Market	541-276-9082
Nixyáawii Financial Svc.	541-304-2387
Senior Center	541-240-8700
Tamastslikt	541-429-7700
TERF	541-276-4040
UTPD	541-278-0550
Veterans Services	541-429-7389
Wildhorse Resort	541-278-2274
Wildhorse Shuttle	541-966-1930
Yellowhawk	541-966-9830
Cascade Natural Gas	888-522-1130
Pacific Power	888-221-7070
Umatilla Electric	541-567-6414
Social Security office	877-405-0480

If you need assistance learning how to operate the thermostat for the furnace or split ductless heater/ AC, please contact our office for a work order and Housing maintenance or Inspector can provide guidance and the owner manual if needed.

Owner's Manual





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How Do You Get Bed Bugs in Your Home?

Hitchhiking! Bed bugs are attracted to areas where people sleep because they want to be where humans



spend a lot of time. Once they are in the area, they will find dark hiding spots like in cracks of the mattress or furniture where it is close and convenient to their food source. Bed bugs are notorious for sneaking their way onto bedding, clothing, luggage, and furniture.

When Traveling. Always inspect the conditions of where you are staying. The place you are at may be infested, so be cautious of where you stay for the night.

- 1. Do an inspection of mattresses, bed linens, headboards, sofas, chairs, blankets and pillows.
- 2. If you find evidence of infestation, immediately leave the establishment. *If you are visiting relatives or friends, it is best to find another place to stay.*
- 3. Leave your luggage in an area without carpeting before unloading it onto furniture or beds.
- 4. Don't use the dressers or cabinets, but leave your clothing in your luggage.
- 5. When returning from your trip, inspect your belongings right away and put clothing through the washer and dryer to kill any possible stow aways. Inspect all luggage before storing. *You may want to store luggage in large garbage bags just in case.*

When Having Visitors. It is in our nature to allow friends and relatives to stay with us when times are rough, or they are simply visiting. **However, visitors are a** *main reason* why homes get infested with bed bugs.

- 1. It may be hard to say "no", but don't allow visitors to stay if you *know* they have been in bed bug conditions prior to visiting.
- 2. Take precautions and ask visitors to not bring their luggage or bedding into your home.
- 3. Offer to have them wash their bedding or luggage immediately before bringing it out onto your furniture, and leave their luggage in an area without carpet, or in their vehicle.



4. If you notice your visitor has bed bugs, have them bag their luggage and remove it from your home. Then thoroughly inspect your home. Anything fabric that may have been used should be put in the washer and dryer right away. Inspect your furniture thoroughly.

Buying Used Items. It is definitely not a bad idea to purchase used items, but there are things a person should consider when buying used.

- 1. When in doubt, don't buy the item, *regardless of who the seller is!* Just because it is a yard sale in a "good neighborhood", or from a "friend", it is not guaranteed to be bed bug free.
- 2. Inspect furniture thoroughly. If you find signs of infestation, don't think it rude to let the seller know right away and pass on buying the item.
- 3. If you purchased furniture, set outside and do a full inspection of the item *before* taking it into the home.
- 4. When outside, it is a good time to use a steam cleaner or upholstery cleaner *before* taking it into the home.
- 5. Immediately wash fabric items in the washer and dryer. Even stuffed animals and fabric toys.

If you think you have bed bugs, or other pest control issues like cockroaches and mice, do not hesitate to call **Heather, Home Inspector: 541-429-7928**

If she is not available, contact the main office: 541-429-7920

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ATTENTION PLEASE

Dog Owners within the Mission Control Area

CTUIR STATUTES of the CTUIR

13.010 DEFINITIONS

(7) "Vicious Dogs" means a pure bred or <u>any degree mixed breed Pit Bull, Doberman</u> <u>Pinscher, German Shepherd, Rottweiler and Wolf hybrids</u>.

13.052 VICIOUS DOGS

It shall be **unlawful for any person to keep, own or maintain a Vicious Dog**, as defined in section 13.010(7) of this chapter, in the Mission Dog Control Area. Any Vicious Dog found in the Mission Dog Control Area shall be immediately seized and destroyed.

It is not reasonable for Housing Department to allow an unlawful breed of dog to reside within its residential units, which is within the Mission Dog Control Area.

No unlawful breeds are allowed, for any reason.

Housing will enforce its lease agreement and policies, as well as the CTUIR Code, if a tenant is suspected of or is known to have a "vicious breed" dog, by contacting the tenant informing the owner to rehome the dog. *This includes any dogs on a previous lease agreement addendum for pets or service animals.*

It is the sole responsibility of the dog owner to take the most effective and humane action to rehome a dog.

Some area shelters are listed; however, are <u>not</u> a guarantee of services.

- \Rightarrow Humane Society of Eastern Oregon Pet Rescue 541-564-6222 (Hermiston, Oregon)
- ⇒ New Hope for Eastern Oregon Animals 541-403-2710 (Baker City, Oregon)
- ⇒ Fuzzball Animal Rescue 541-371-2007 (Hermiston, Oregon)
- ⇒ Benton Franklin Humane Society 509-374-4235 (Kennewick, Washington)
- \Rightarrow Blue Mountain Humane Society 509-525-2452 (Walla Walla, Washington)