

# COMMUNITY DIRECTOR UPDATE

APRIL 2025



## ***GREETINGS FROM YOUR COMMUNITY DIRECTOR - KRISTEN NELSON***

April showers bring May flowers and Stewart Terrace Family Housing is eager to see our families outside enjoying warmer temperatures. Spring in the north east is a wonderful time of year, and the month of April brings with it not only Earth Day, but Month of the military child. Keep a watch for events all month.

With springtime right around the corner and warmer weather on the horizon, more children and families will be out and about in our community. Please help us keep our community safe and follow posted speed limits, stop at crosswalks and watch out for each other when in the community!

## ***TEAM MEMBER SPOTLIGHT***

### **Sentiments from some Stewart Terrace Family Housing Residents**

"They were prompt, professional, and efficient in fixing the issue. The technician was friendly and took the time to explain everything clearly. It's great to have a team that truly cares about the quality of their work."

"Kristen and Jess were great from first inquiry till move in day."

## ***UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS***

### ***JELLY BEAN COUNT***

**Date:** April 7-11, 2025

**Time:** Daily 8am - 5pm

**Location:** Community Center

Put your guessing skills to the test! Stop by the community center between April 7 and April 11 to guess how many Jelly beans are in the jar. The resident with the closest guess will win a easter basket!



### ***PAINT YOUR PARTNER, DATE NIGHT!***

**Date:** April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time:** 5pm - 7pm

**Location:** Community Center

Are you a couple looking for fun, easy, and free date-night that doesn't even require putting on dress pants or going too far from the house? Look no further than the latest TikTok trend! The "paint each other" trend has couples planning date nights where they gather canvases and paint and sit across from each other and paint their portrait. The results allow you to see each other through your loved one's eyes (and potentially terrible art skills), and they're usually pretty hilarious! Come join us for a fun night of creativity and laughs!



## **PURPLE UP DAY!**

**Date:** April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time:** All Day

**Location:** Community Center

Join us today in wearing purple to celebrate and recognize the military's most unsung heroes- their children! Use [#purpleup4militarykids](#) to show your support!

All across the country and around the world, military children play a significant role in their schools, youth organizations, and communities. When we wear purple in their honor, we let them know we support them in all branches of the military - Army, Navy, Marine, Coast Guard, Air Force, and Space Force. Whether they are a part of the military family for a short while or their entire childhood, the military child deserves to know they have the support of their community.



## **EVERY DAY IS EARTH DAY**

**Date:** April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

**Time:** 4 - 6pm

**Location:** Join us today to celebrate Earth Day! Come down to the community center and paint your very own birdhouse!



## **UPCOMING LOCAL EVENT**

### **SPRING FLING AT DOGWOOD ACRES FAMILY FARM**

**Date:** April 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time:** 12 - 5pm

**Location:** 749 Route 17M Middletown, NY

Join Dogwood Acres for our NEWEST EVENT! Introducing Spring Fling! Hop to it with our wagon ride around the farm. Hit your target with our carrot blaster. Visit farm animals. Play games. Enjoy a tasty treat. There is something fun around every corner. Cost: \$20.00; Kids ages 2 and under are FREE. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.



### **TOWN OF NEW WINDSOR RECREATION DEPARTMENT EASTER EGG HUNT**

**Date:** April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Time:** 10am

**Location:** Kristi Babcock Memorial Park 244 Union Avenue New Windsor  
Easter egg hunt. Registration is required.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information and to register.





## COMMUNITY REMINDERS

We would like to remind everyone of an important update to our community regulations regarding vehicle storage. Previously, recreational vehicles (RVs), boats, and trailers were permitted in driveways.

However, starting in April, this policy has changed as part of a community wide improvement effort to maintain and preserve the visual appeal and overall harmony of our neighborhood.

Anyone with an RV, boat, or trailer currently in their driveway will need to arrange for off-site storage no later than April 30, 2025.

### RVs, Trailers, and Boats

- Recreational vehicles (including campers, trailers, boats, jet skis, ATVs, golf carts, etc.) & other vehicles must be kept in the garage with the door closed.
- RVs or campers may only be parked in the neighborhood for a 24-hour period while loading or unloading. During this time, RVs must park in your driveway or directly in front/behind your home.
- RV or other recreational equipment must not block driveways, including those of vacant homes.
- Plugging any vehicle into any outlet or disposing of RV waste water on the property is not allowed.
- The use of ATVs, dirt bikes, and similar vehicles is strictly not allowed in the community.

Any reasonable request for accommodation may be considered when submitted in writing along with proper licensing and registration documentation to Stewart Terrace Family Housing. For any questions, contact your community management team.

Check out the community guidelines that have been updated to enhance the living experience for all residents. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to review the updated guidelines. These changes were effective in October of 2024 for new families and will apply to existing families upon signing a new lease.

## NEWS FROM THE INSTALLATION

US Family Health Plan has a Health Benefits Consultant Antonia Cedeno who is serving our area, she is retired US Navy and has availability by appointment to discuss information and answer any questions you may have. The US Family Health Plan (USFHP) is available to eligible active duty family members, retired service members and their families, family members of activated National Guard and Reserve members, and survivors of deceased active duty or retired military members, all of whom must be under 65 years old and live within a USFHP service area; essentially, anyone eligible for TRICARE Prime within the designated service area can participate in USFHP. If any one is interested in scheduling an appointment to meet with Antonia, please contact the leasing office directly at 845-716-7511 and they will help coordinate in scheduling an appointment.

To contact Antonia directly, she can be contacted by phone at (212)356-4595 or by email at [acedeno@svmcny.org](mailto:acedeno@svmcny.org)



## MAINTENANCE TIPS

We are all busy! So while it might be tempting to ignore a broken garbage disposal or a slow draining sink we encourage you to give us a call!

Neglecting normal maintenance issues, especially water-related, can cause a lot of damage that isn't always visible at first.

Our maintenance team is here to serve you. Please contact the office to place your service request or utilize our resident app.

If you need assistance our office team is happy to help walk you through the process. To contact the office dial (845) 716-7511



## SAFETY TIPS

### Spring safety tips:

Remember the bug spray! Nice weather means those pesky bugs are also ready to get out and play. Whether spending time out in the local park or in your back yard, bug spray is essential to protect against bug bites! Make sure you are using the appropriate insect repellent and wearing proper outdoor clothing.

Put on helmets! Spring weather means dusting off the bikes, scooters and roller blades. Be sure your kids are following safety procedures and wearing helmets properly to protect them against injury. To ensure helmets are well-fitted, you should only be able to place one finger between your chin and the helmet straps. A helmet that moves with head movements should be readjusted.



Protect from the sun! Even though spring is not as hot as summer, it can still have damaging effects to the skin. Be sure to cover up or use sunscreen when playing outside for extended periods. Sunscreen should have a sun protection factor, or SPF, of 30 or higher. Apply sunscreen on all exposed body areas. Use sunscreen on cloudy days, in the shade and especially when in or near water. And remember that the sun's rays are strongest during the midday.

Stay Hydrated! With the warmer weather, sun and outdoor activities also comes the risk for dehydration leading to heat exhaustion or heatstroke. Make sure you and your kids drink plenty of water, even if they are not thirsty, and find shade on those sweltering days.

*If you have already contacted our local Management and Housing office team and are not satisfied with the outcome, or if you have words of praise to share, we encourage you to reach out to our senior management.*

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