

# at home

#### Seasonal Tenant Newsletter



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## **Meeting Your Neighbours**

Our team knows that good neighbours make a big difference! It is always a joy to see tenants join in on social activities and form a sense of community where they live.

This spring, tenants in different neighbourhoods came together to do spring cleanups. Kaitlynn (pictured above), is a tenant at Spence Court. Kaitlynn participated in this year's community clean up, and enjoys taking part in the other social programming in her building. "It's so nice to see everyone participate and get together and take pride in our building," says Kaitlynn. "The programming is always so friendly. It's a great opportunity to meet people. There's always things happening here each month!"

For more information about what's happening where you live, contact your Tenant Support Worker.

#### **Buzzer System**

Having trouble getting the buzzer system to work in your unit?

The buzzer system only works with landline phones plugged into the designated jack. Plugging in a handset will allow the telecom company to set up your buzzer, even if you don't have landline phone service.

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# Home Maintenance

Get your home ready for summer!

# Spring Cleaning

A fresh home feels great! Here are some ideas.

#### Kitchen:

- clean the sink
- clean counter & table
- wipe down all appliances
- clean stove & oven
- clean inside microwave

#### Bathroom:

- clean shower & toilet
- wipe down counter & mirror
- wash shower curtain
- wipe/dust fan cover

#### Living Room:

- wash blankets & pillows
- remove clutter

#### Bedroom:

- wash sheets & blankets
- remove clutter
- organize clothing

#### Whole house:

- sweep, mop, vacuum
- clean windows
- shake out rugs
- dust all surfaces
- wash window coverings

### Yard Maintenance

Reminder that tenants with yards are responsible for lawn care and mowing.

# On Ontario Works? Contact your caseworker to ask if you're eligible for a free lawn mower.

**Gardening** is a great way to connect with the environment and find a moment to relax. Many of our properties have community garden areas for tenants to get their hands dirty. Container gardening is also an option for those without access to a full garden or yard.

Have questions about gardening options where you live? Please contact your Tenant Support Worker.

#### Seasonal Reminders

As we get excited to enjoy the warmer weather, we want to remind tenants:

- Pools, trampolines, and firepits are not permitted. Barbecues are not allowed on balconies.
- If requesting Air Conditioning, payment must be submitted with the request form.
- Please remember that guests can stay for only up to two weeks.
   Tenants expecting visitors for longer than two weeks will need approval.
- Clean up after your pets! Dogs must be leashed and under the owners control while on TBDSSAB properties.
- Tenants in duplexes are to store their garbage at the back of their units. There is a \$25 fee per bag otherwise.

Questions? Contact your Tenant Support Worker.

# Tenant Programming

Did you know? Tenants can access programming in any of our resource centres or technology hubs. Please see below for more information on what's happening nearest you.

#### Limbrick: 97K

- Technology Hub
- TSW & OW on-site
- Youth Inclusion Program
- Roots Community Food Market
- Walk-In Clinics

#### **McIvor Court**

- Technology Hub
- TSW on-site

#### **Spence Court**

- Technology Hub
- TSW & OW on-site
- Community Kitchens

#### Trillium/Academy: 14 Trillium Way

- Technology Hub
- TSW & OW on-site
- Healthy Kids Tbay
   programming
- Outdoor play group
- Community Kitchen
- Cooking with PYOWs
- Pantry Meals Cooking
   Program

#### Windsor: Unit 16

- Technology Hub
- TSW & OW on-site
- Healthy Kids Tbay
   programming
- Kids in Community Kitchen (KICK)
- Community Kitchen
- Emergency Food Cupboard
- Pantry Meals Cooking Program
- Baha'i Group

Questions? Contact your Tenant Support Worker.

Calendars can be found on our website, under Tenant Resources: <u>https://</u> <u>www.tbdssab.ca/housinghomelessness/</u>

#### **Child Care Questions?**

TBDSSAB Child Care Workers attend Limbrick & Trillium Resource Centres on alternate Tuesdays. They can answer questions about applications for child care fee subsidy and the waitlist.

#### See Something, Say Something!

If you see something suspicious, please report it to your Supervisor, Property Management (SPM). For your own safety, please call the police or Crime Stoppers if you witness a crime in progress.

Thank you for helping us keep all our tenants safe!



To submit an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers and possibly earn a cash reward—please contact:

#### 1-800-222-8477

Submit Online: www.p3tips.com/273

#### **MyBenefits**

You can use this service to get your OW or ODSP info, or report changes. **To sign up for MyBenefits, please visit:** 

mybenefits.mcss.gov.on.ca



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THE DISTRICT OF THUNDER BAY SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION BOARD

HQ Address: 231 S. May Street Thunder Bay, ON P7E 1B5

#### **Regular Hours of Operation:**

Monday to Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Key Cutting & Payments: 9:00am - 4:00pm

#### Maintenance Issue?

Call the 24/7 Maintenance Line at

807-766-4777

#### **Scheduled Closures**

- July 1, 2024 (Canada Day)
- August 5, 2024 (Civic Holiday)
- September 2, 2024 (Labour Day )
- October 14, 2024 (Thanksgiving)

For office hours at your nearest TBDSSAB office, please visit our website: www.tbdssab.ca

#### Feedback

Questions, comments, or ideas for this newsletter can be sent to:

Communications@tbdssab.ca

Main	Switchboard:	807-766-211 <sup>2</sup>	۱

24/7 Maintenance: 807-766-4777

#### **Housing Operations Staff Extensions**

SPM = Supervisor, Property Management PMC = Property Management Clerk

#### North

SPM: Cristie Berman	807-766-4616			
PMC: Kerri McCallum	807-766-4643			
South				
SPM: Jamie Petrin	807-766-4618			
PMC: Josee Trelinski	807-766-4637			
East				
SPM: Paula Marin	807-766-4632			
PMC: Alistan Hadley	807-766-4609			
West				
SPM: Aleisha Armstrong	807-766-4631			
PMC: Isabel Smith	807-766-4122			
Central				
SPM: Ashley Crupi	807-766-4633			
PMC: Andrea Hamre	807-766-4608			
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 807-766-4208

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