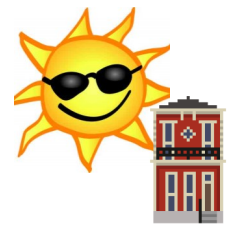




# Petra Community Housing The Community Connector

July 2020



## **CHESCO & MONTCO ARE GOING GREEN!!**



**Hooray! Chester and Montgomery County moves into the Green Phase of re-opening this Friday, June 26. What does that mean for you?**

- **Restaurants and bars open at 50% occupancy, outdoor dining is available.**
- **Personal Care Services (salons and barbershops), Indoor Recreation, Health and Wellness Facilities such as YMCA open at 50% Occupancy.**
- **All Entertainment (such as casinos, theaters, and shopping malls) open at 50% occupancy.**
- **Sadly, “Petra on the Go” Bus or Senior Centers will not reopen at this time for safety of our participants.**

**PETRA STAFF RETURNS MONDAY! Offices remain closed for drop in. Appointments must be scheduled in advance . CDC guidelines will be followed (masks will be required for in person appointments).**

### **SNAP/EBT is Now Activated for Grocery Delivery!**

**Amazon, Walmart & Shoprite** grocery delivery services are now activated to accept EBT cards to pay for groceries! Additional fees must be paid with debit or credit cards. Check your Grocer to see if they participate!



### **REMINDER: Submitting Work Orders**

Please remember to either call or email your work orders in to the office. When calling follow the prompts for Maintenance & leave a message or email [workorders@PetraCH.org](mailto:workorders@PetraCH.org)



### **Enjoying the Outdoors!**

We are happy to announce the addition of an alternate outdoor seating area at Bard complex.



With the onset of the nice weather and the relaxing of the COVID restrictions many of us have enjoyed the opportunity to go outside. To encourage the fresh air and sense of community, Petra has added additional seating in the non-smoking area of the back patio. This is adjacent to the Cornerstone Activity Center and is available for all residents to enjoy.

Note this area **will remain a Non Smoking area**. We ask that you **do not remove the seating** from that area and that you **leave it in its designated spot** when you are finished using it. Residents and maintenance alike need access to this area for loading and unloading various items. For this reason it is important that we maintain a pattern of seating that allows that. This area is a work in progress. Plans for improvements will continue.



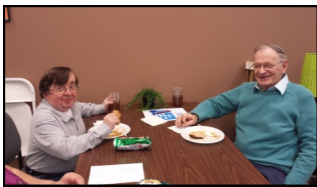
If you have suggestions that you feel will enhance your community, please feel free to contact your RSC to share them. They may just happen!

## Petra's Beauty Salons Open! Welcome Back Sandy!

Many of you will be happy to learn that your beauty salon is reopening with it's normal hours beginning next Monday the 29th. Services will be scheduled by appointment only. Feel free to call 610-823-9433 to schedule your time with Sandy.



### Memory Lane



## Phoenixville Senior Center Updates!

***Please take a moment to Thank Julie Gauden & the Senior Center for FEMA Meals & Operation French Toast!***

Although the center is not open for guests, they are offering the following activities and would love for you to join!

**Food Drive-Thru** - You will receive a call with your day and time to pick-up. If you would like to receive meals, please call us at **610-935-1515**. Leave a message with your name and telephone number. We will get back to you.

**Chester County Food Bank's Fresh 2 You Mobile Market** – Open to the public, Wednesdays 10-30 to 12:30. Pick up fresh fruits and vegetables in an open-air farm market in the Senior Center parking lot. Fresh2You is offering prepackaged produce bundles that can be pre-ordered. Call to check out availability and submit your order.

**Exercise Classes** – On Phoenixville's Public Access Television at 9 AM on Monday, Wednesday and Friday on Xfinity Channel 22 and Verizon Channel 29. Or click links on our website: [www.phoenixvilleseniorcenter.org](http://www.phoenixvilleseniorcenter.org).

**Eat Fresh Cooking Classes** - July 1 on Zoom. Call to register. You will have to pick up your bag of groceries on Wednesday morning between 10:30 and noon at the Fresh 2 You Truck.

PA Dept. of Agriculture is offering **Senior Food Vouchers** again this year for seasonal produce at **Farmers Markets and Farm Stands**. More information and applications are available on our website or call **610-935-1515**.

**Grief Counseling** - Willow Tree Hospice is available to help anyone who is in need of emotional or grief support. Call the Center for more information 610-935-1515. We can arrange a phone or zoom session.

## False Alarms; Burnt Toast & Smokey Trash

We have been informed that powder from cat litter and other similar substances is causing the fire alarms to go off in the trash compactor. Please do not put powder or granulated substances down the trash shoot to avoid unnecessary alarms.

**REMEMBER**, if your smoke alarm goes off– **OPEN YOUR WINDOWS NOT YOUR DOOR**. If you need assistance, subdue the smoke (unplug the toaster, turn off the stove, move the pan, etc) then leave the apartment for help.

It is helpful to make use of the “buddy system” so neighbors can help each other through stressful situations.

