



**Barnesville Housing Authority**  
**Annual Report**  
**2020**



Board of Commissioners

Bruce Akins - Chairman

Jimmy Lyons – Vice Chairman

Chuck Bankston

Bridgette Fletcher Wright

Sherry Farr

Barbara Caldwell-Resident Commissioner

Administration Staff

Linda Waterman – Executive Director

Renee' English – Administrative Assistant

Crystal Cato– Housing Manager

Sarah Corley – Resident Services Coordinator

Maintenance Staff

Jeff Eubanks – Maintenance Supervisor

Jay Ethridge– Maintenance Mechanic

Hollis Middleton – Maintenance Assistant



Barnesville Housing Authority's mission is to assist low income families with safe, decent, and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to achieve self-sufficiency and improve the quality of their lives. The Housing Authority is committed to operating in an efficient, ethical, and professional manner. The Housing Authority will create and maintain partnerships with its clients and appropriate community agencies in order to accomplish this mission.

## Welcome!

The Housing Authority provides all new residents a Welcome Bag with household items that are useful during the moving process. This year the Housing Authority distributed over 265 applications. BHA worked tirelessly achieving the goal of housing low income and homeless individuals by providing housing for 25 families which consisted of 66 members.



## Resident Meeting

The second Monday of each month, Housing Authority resident's gather in the Community Room at 6:30pm. Attending residents discuss any concerns and upcoming events, host speakers, celebrate monthly holidays, and enjoy refreshments. We like ending the evening with friendly rounds of bingo and prizes.



## Community Garden

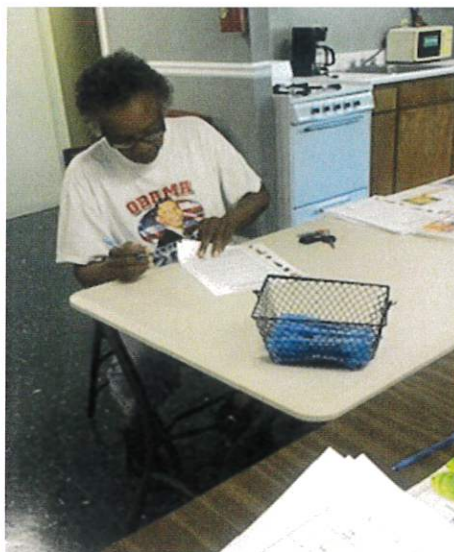
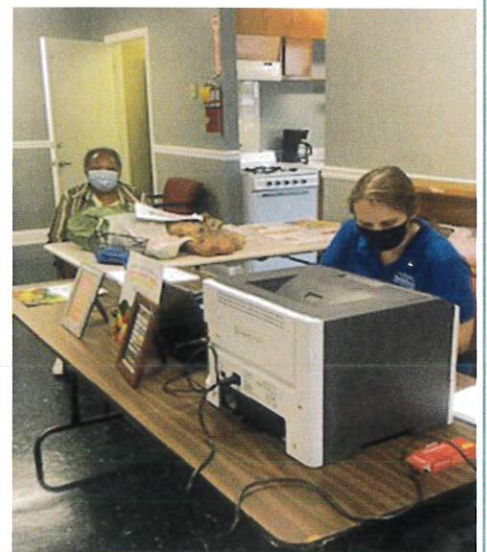
Barnesville Housing Authority's Community Garden is planted every year for our residents. Our raised beds grow a variety of peppers, tomatoes, squash and even flowers. We have several residents who also grow their own vegetables in pots on their porches.



## Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

Three Rivers Area Agency on Aging helps promote Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program.

TRAAA works with local farmers to serve our seniors with fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey from farmers' markets, roadside stands and community supported agriculture programs to low income seniors. This program provided free fruit and vegetables to over 40 seniors.





## National Prevent Child Abuse Month

Throughout April, The Housing Authority displays pinwheels to show our support in the mission to prevent abuse and neglect of our nation's children.

We recognize that every day we each have the opportunity to help create the kind of nation we want to live in. We also recognize that when all children don't have equal opportunity for healthy growth and development, we put our future as a society at risk.





## Community Clean-up Day

The Housing Authority encourages our residents to help keep our communities clean by having a community clean-up day. COVID prevented group gatherings but these individuals were caught cleaning our community solo between rainy days.



## We Are Lamar

Throughout the COVID pandemic several of our residents have volunteered their time in the community during this difficult time. Masks were distributed to our BHA residents that were donated from our county.

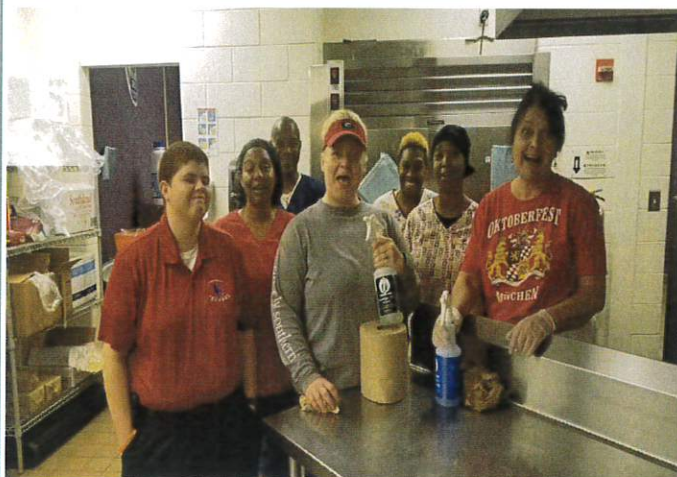


## Lamar County Schools-Barnesvil...



3/29/20, 1:55 PM

Lamar County Schools would like to thank Wabash National for printing our primary and elementary school packets this week. This company reached out to the school system and offered their help. They printed and delivered the packets to Dr. Scandrett Friday. We appreciate Tonya Eubanks and everyone else in the company that helped to provide this service. We also appreciate her family helping us with the delivery.





## Congratulations Class of 2020!

Every year Barnesville Housing Authority recognizes all graduating seniors in our community. The monthly newsletter announces the graduates and any additional information that may be given by the individual or family. BHA had five graduates in our community to receive a check for \$25.00. Graduation is an exciting time.

It's both an ending and a beginning. We at the Housing Authority want to encourage our young adults to continue to strive and show them we support them all the way.

## Red Ribbon Week

Residents show their support to be  
DRUG FREE by signing our pledge  
displayed in the lobby during Red Ribbon  
Week.



# Our Veterans

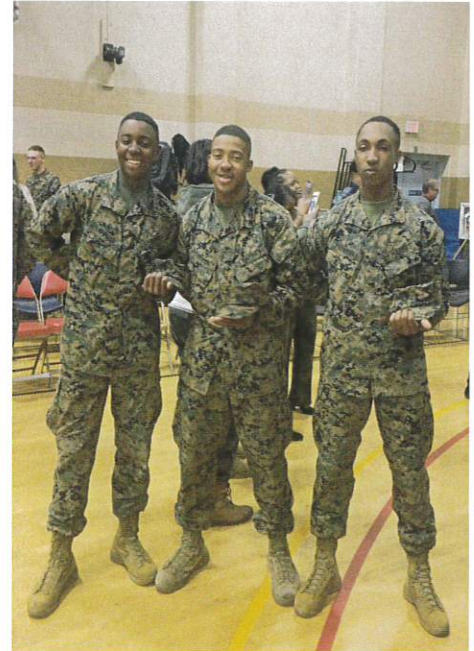


Amanda Connell is the proud mom of Abdul Muhammed. She recently reported he completed the United States Marine Corp basic training. The Officer In Charge notified him that he is being promoted to Lance Corporal ahead of schedule since his test scores are so high. He will transfer to Alaska to continue his training in Aviation.

We are so proud of you, stay safe!

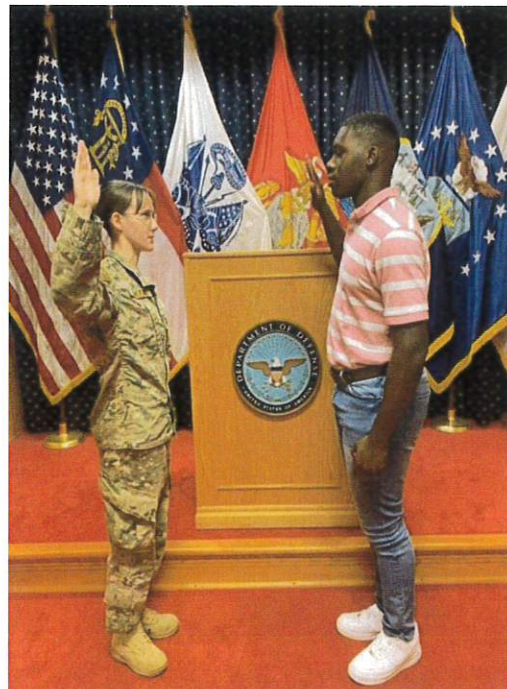
**BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS  
FOR THE LORD WILL BE WITH  
YOU WHEREVER YOU GO**

Joshua 1:9



Da'Quan Lumpkin, son of Kelley Lumpkin, will be in our prayers as he leaves for Army basic in Ft. Lenordwood, MI on June 23, 2020. He will be a motor transport operator. While in the Army he plans to become a licensed barber and open his own barbershop in Barnesville. Lumpkin hopes it will bring more job opportunities to his hometown.

We Thank You and Support You!!



## Trick-or-Treat

These are a few residents who came Trick-or-Treating at the Housing Authority office on Halloween. Over fifty treat bags were given.



## **Merry Christmas**

Residents celebrated Christmas with Santa and at the Housing Authority while staff and regular meeting attendees had a luncheon at Deraney's Two City Tavern.







## **BARNESVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**WORK ORDERS COMPLETED TO DATE: 796**

**CURRENT VACANT UNITS: 5**

**FAMILY UNITS HOUSED TO DATE: 25**

**FAMILY UNITS MOVE OUTS TO DATE: 29**

**TOTAL APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO DATE: 151**

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS YEAR TO DATE: 121**

**TOTAL HOUSING UNITS PROVIDED BY  
THE HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

**204**