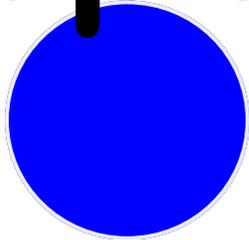
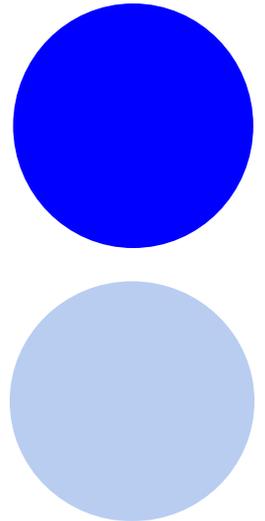


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Special points of interest:

• **Rent is due on the 1st of each month. It is a substantial breach of your lease to consistently pay your rent late.**

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The Easter Tale

Christians throughout the world celebrate the traditions of Easter to observe the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. However, another international tradition with Easter is the Easter Bunny. According to tradition, the Easter Bunny will leave goodies such as chocolate and decorated eggs to children who leave their empty baskets out the night before.

The origin of the Easter Bunny is unclear, but it has roots reaching the 18th Century in Germany. (That's the 1700s – over 300 years ago!) The tradition of the Easter Bunny came to America in the 1700s when German immigrants settled in Pennsylvania. When they settled in America they brought their Easter traditions with them. They

told the story of the egg-laying hare which was known as “Osterhase” or “Oschter Haws”.

Eventually, the custom became more popular throughout America. The Easter Bunny tradition is now celebrated as similar as Santa's trip on Christmas. The Easter Bunny is said to bring chocolate, candy, and other gifts on Easter morning. Children participate in Easter activities such as decorating their own Easter baskets and eggs, and leaving them for the Easter Bunny to find. Children also leave carrots for the Easter Bunny as a child would leave cookies and milk

for Santa.

The concept of a bunny and eggs likely derive from the ancient tradition of rabbits being symbols of fertility. The significance of eggs came from symbolizing new life and Jesus' resurrection from the tomb.

So, wherever you may be or whoever you may be with, enjoy this Easter Holiday season with the ones that you love.

Have a great and safe Easter holiday.



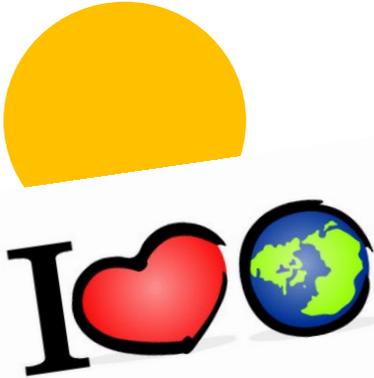
Income Review!

Appointments are available from **April 1—May 31**. Spaces are filling up quickly, please call **624-2055** to make your appointment!

What to bring:
Full Tax Return
2014 **AND** proof of your **current** income.

NEW
Please bring your proof of **Tenant's Insurance** to your appointment.

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The birth of Earth Day



Did you know that the idea of Earth Day actually took about seven years to evolve? So what is Earth Day? How did it all begin?

Senator Gaylord Nelson was always passionate about the environment and he felt as though it was an important topic that all people should be educated about. In November of 1962, Senator Gaylord Nelson had an idea that the environment should be put into the “political” limelight. He decided to persuade President Kennedy by convincing him to develop a national conservation tour. In September of 1963, President Kennedy began his five-day, eleven-state tour.

For several reasons, the tour did not help put the spotlight on the importance of environment conservation. Six years passed before Nelson came up with the idea of “Earth Day”. During the summer of 1969, anti-Vietnam War demonstrations has spread to college campuses all across the

nation. Nelson was inspired to organize a huge protest about the importance of environment conservation.

Nelson made the announcement at a conference in Seattle. He stated that in the Spring of 1970, there would be a nationwide grassroots demonstration on behalf of the environment and he invited everyone to participate.

The announcement was a great hit! Telegrams, letters, and telephone inquiries came from all across the country. People were finally beginning to talk about the land, rivers, lakes and air. For the next four months, Nelson’s senate staff managed “Earth Day” affairs out of his office.

There was so much response and traffic of people wanting to be involved that a temporary space in Washington, D.C. was opened and cited as the “Headquarters”. Nelson staffed the office with college students.

Earth Day was a huge success. Nelson acknowledges

the participants and their passion for the success of Earth Day. He notes that him and his team never had the time or resources to organize 20 million demonstrations, thousands of schools and local communities, but rather Earth Day organized itself.

To this day we celebrate Earth Day every year on April 22. This year marks the 45th anniversary for Earth Day. Earth Day is a day to celebrate the Earth and to show your respect for what the Earth has to offer.

Some ways that you can celebrate Earth Day on April 22 this year include:

- 1) Riding your bike to work/school rather than driving
- 2) Get together with the family and make nature crafts such as a bird feeder
- 3) Take the afternoon to help clean the litter from your neighbourhood!
- 4) Reuse items such as cloth bags for grocery shopping.

Reminders!

The Central Office will be **CLOSED** on **Friday, April 3, 2015**—in

observance of Good Friday.

Enjoy your Easter

You have to make an appointment for your Annual Income Review. Please call 624-2055 to make an appointment!

NOTHING IS CERTAIN EXCEPT PROCRASTINATION AND TAXES



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Taxes are due: April 30th, 2015

Easter Colouring Contest!

The North Peace Housing Foundation is hosting a colouring contest for all children who reside in one of our family housing units!

All you have to do is pick up one of the colouring sheets at our Central Office! You can bring it home and colour and then bring it back to us. We will display your artwork for others to see and your name will be entered to win a great prize!



Who: Children who are residents of the NPHF Family Housing Units

Ages: Up to 15 Years of age.

When: March 23 - April 23

The prize will be drawn on April 23 at 4:30 p.m.

Maintenance Tips!

The days are now longer and the sun is shining brighter! Use these tips to keep your home in top shape for the summer season!:

- 1) Cut all of the grass and weeds surrounding your home. A little bit of trimming can not only save you money but it will make your home look great and will keep
- 2) Do an inspection of your patio or doorsteps. Are there any loose railings or rotting wood? Have these fixed or replaced for safety reasons.
- 3) Clean the range hood away pests such as mice! (Tall grass attracts pest such as mice)
- 4) Prevent laundry room flooding by inspecting the washing machine of your stove. Grease tends to build up. Take out the filter and soak it in dishwashing liquid—don't forget to wipe down the inside & outside of the hood itself.

hoses for any cracks or leaks.



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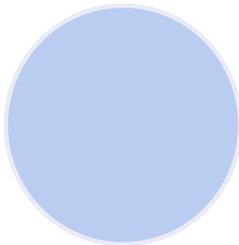
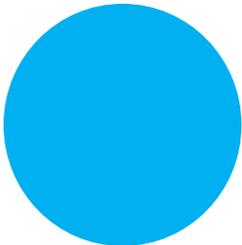
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The North Peace Housing Foundation provides low income housing to families and seniors. We provide residency such as the lodges, senior’s apartments, family housing units and rent subsidies. We serve the Northern Albertan Region and have been providing quality and affordable housing since 1995.

For more information please visit our website:

www.northpeacehousing.ca



F.A.Q

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why do you need all of these documents for the Income Review? Isn't my tax return enough?

A: No. We require proof of your current income so that we can see the big picture of your income. Your tax return will tell us how much you made last year, but we also need to know how much your income is now. This will help us make the right adjustment for your rent.

Q: Why should I have Tenant's Insurance?

A: Tenant's Insurance protects your own personal belongings and any damage that is your responsibility. We do not cover any insurance of your stuff. If

there happens to be damage from water, fire, theft, smoke or anything else—we can't help you. The only thing that will be able to help you is Tenant's Insurance.

Q: I have a maintenance issue with my home. Is it my responsibility to fix this? Or North Peace Housing Foundations?

A: Both. Your responsibilities as a tenant include: cleaning the yard, disposing the garbage properly, changing light bulbs, cleaning your home, replace furnace filters, snow removal and lawn and weed maintenance. We are responsible

for maintaining the structure of your home (roof, siding, windows, and door), maintenance for your utilities and appliances, and services to keep your home sanitized. If you have any questions regarding maintenance, please feel free to call us at: 780-624-2055!

