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## Housing Authority of the City of Pocatello – Newsletter Spring 2012

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Did you know that the Housing Authority serves nearly 900 households within our fine city? It's true! HACP originally began in 1968 with the public housing units at Christensen Courts. Portneuf Towers was built in 1979 and is a "Section 8 New Construction" Property. In the 90's HACP was approached by HUD and asked to take over ownership of Maple West and McKinley Manor Apartments. These properties are called Multi-family Section 236 and have no subsidy attached to them but HACP is under contract with HUD to maintain affordability for the life of the properties.



Backyard at Katsilometes Court

The 90's also saw two more properties added as HACP built Katsilometes Court and

Pinewood Apartments. Kats and Pinewood are open market properties that continue the mission of the Housing Authority by providing affordable housing within our community. This brought the total number of apartments owned and managed by HACP to 266.

Throughout the history of HACP vouchers have gradually been added to the portfolio as well. Most recently, 56 vouchers were added in the spring of 2011 bringing the total number of vouchers managed by HACP to 616. Vouchers give participants the opportunity to select a property on the open market with a portion of the rent subsidized through HACP.

That's a lot of households being served by our office. Now you know why the staff seems so busy!! It's because they are 😊



The office will be closed on May 28<sup>th</sup> in honor of Memorial Day!

## Parking

Parking seems to be one of those things that is always a challenge at apartment complexes. The simplest rule to remember is that parking spaces in the parking lots are for tenants. In order to use the parking spaces you must have a sticker issued by the office. It is up to the tenants to let guests/visitors know that they need to park on the street – not in the parking lot. Basically it is one more issue that boils down to respect. Following the parking rules is one way of showing respect for your neighbors!



Mark your calendar for the

## **SCAM JAM**

August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012 9-4pm  
@ ISU

This is a full day workshop aimed at helping the elderly and disabled learn how to avoid scams! Lunch will be provided and lots of information will be shared. Details will be posted in the office as the date approaches.

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## Contracting Opportunities for The City of Pocatello

As part of its RENEWAL Program, the City of Pocatello's Neighborhood & Community Services Division offers bidding opportunities to area contractors. Rehab projects include plumbing, electrical, and HVAC work, as well as roof replacement or repair and sidewalk installation. Interested contractors can request to be placed on bid mailing lists by calling 234-6155, or can view current bids at the Housing Authority office, at City Hall or on the City's website at [www.pocatello.us](http://www.pocatello.us). Preference is given to Section 3 residents and business concerns. For more information, please call 234-6185

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HACP would like to thank Dale for his long tenancy with us. Dale has lived at Christensen Courts since 1982! Wow! I'm not sure many people can say they have lived in the same place for 30 years. That's pretty amazing Dale!