

From the Director Doug Fleming

Welcome to the Lansing Housing Commission's fall newsletter! Kids are back in school; temperatures are tailing off, and the leaves on our trees have given way from green to gold. Autumn is a season full of change, and that has me reflecting on all the positive change we've seen at LHC in 2026. It has been a great year thus far. With the opening of two new affordable buildings in downtown Lansing, we now house over 100 additional families. We also expanded our relationship with the Boys and Girls Club to now serve families at our Waverly Place property. The recent graduation of our Family Self Sufficiently program participants was another tremendous highlight. We presented checks that combined to exceed over \$70,000 to those participants. We are so excited for their futures as they continue to grow on their life journey.

This fall we will begin construction of some new community space and some exterior renovations at our Hoyt property. We continue to grow our transportation partnership with CATA and are working with our residents to secure scholarships to assist in their educational futures.

As the seasons change, we encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities listed in this newsletter of things to do in and around Lansing. Happy fall!



BUILDING COMMUNITY THROUGH PLAY

Our communities are strong because of the many close partnerships that link them together. We were thrilled to welcome Lansing Parks and Recreation staff to LaRoy Froh this summer as part of their Play Patrol program. Play Patrol is a free summer community program that brings mobile games, sports equipment, arts and crafts and physical activities directly to local neighborhoods and parks.

Wednesday afternoons from 3 to 6 p.m. quickly became a favorite part of the week for many of our younger residents. Through Play Patrol, youth enjoyed safe, engaging and active outdoor recreation right in their own neighborhood all summer long.

We are grateful for Play Patrol's team's commitment to creating positive opportunities for young people and for bringing these valuable recreational experiences directly to our community. Their partnership helps make a meaningful difference in the lives of the families we serve.

Thanks again to Play Patrol for their incredible support this year. We look forward to continuing this wonderful partnership and welcoming Play Patrol back to our community next summer!



CELEBRATING YOUTH EXCELLENCE AT WAVERLY PLACE

On July 23, the Lansing Housing Commission Resident Services team, LHC Executive Director Mr. Fleming and the youth and staff of the Boys & Girls Club of Lansing Westside Extension came together to celebrate an outstanding achievement by one of the young residents of Waverly Place.

Earlier this year, several Waverly Place youth ages 6-14 participated in a poster and essay contest sponsored by HAI Group. One of these participants, Trequan Morrell, earned second place in the “Safety Makes a Splash” essay competition! This accomplishment is a product of Trequan’s hard work, dedication and talent. We couldn’t be prouder of his success.

LHC is committed to supporting and encouraging our youth as they grow into confident leaders and active members of their communities. Celebrating achievements like Trequan’s is an important part of that mission. We look forward to recognizing many more successes in the years ahead. Congratulations again, Trequan!



The Community Beautification Awards recognize residents whose homes demonstrate things like:

- Well-maintained lawns
- Neatly landscaped yards and flower beds
- Clean and welcoming porches and entryways
- Properly stored personal belongings
- An overall appearance that adds to the beauty of the neighborhood

CELEBRATING OUR SUMMER COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION AWARD WINNER!

This summer, Lansing Housing Commission and Capital City Property Management (CCPM) launched the Community Beautification Awards to recognize residents who take pride in their homes and help make our neighborhoods clean, welcoming and enjoyable places to live.

We’re excited to celebrate Chelsea as our first Community Beautification Award winner!

Chelsea’s home stood out for its well-maintained exterior and the care she puts into creating a welcoming and attractive space. Her efforts are a great example of how

small touches and a little pride in our homes can make a big difference in the look and feel of our neighborhoods.

Thank you, Chelsea, for helping set the tone for this new program and for taking pride in your home and community!

As we wrap up the summer, we’re already looking ahead. Residents, watch for more information about the Community Beautification Awards, including upcoming recognition and award details, in the Spring edition of the LHC newsletter. You might even see your home celebrated next!

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS ARE BACK

The Lansing Housing Commission is excited to continue its partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of Lansing and expand opportunities for youth in our communities!

Following the success of the Boys & Girls Club program at Hildebrandt Park, the Club expanded to Waverly Place (Boys & Girls Club Westside) this summer. From June 8 through August 14, 2026, the Club offered a summer program for children ages 7–12, providing a safe, welcoming space where youth could learn, play, build friendships and grow.

Now, the Boys & Girls Club Westside Extension has launched an after-school program. The program provides youth with opportunities to stay engaged, active and learning after the school day ends.



At LHC, we know our mission is about much more than housing — it's about helping residents of all ages build stronger, brighter futures. Partnerships like this give some of our youngest residents access to positive experiences, supportive relationships and opportunities to learn and grow right in their own communities.

For information, contact Boys and Girls Club at 517-394-0455.

MOVING FORWARD IN PARTNERSHIP

We are lucky to have so many great community institutions in the Lansing area working hard to improve resident lives. We are especially grateful for the opportunities we have to work together. In the spring, the Lansing Housing Commission partnered with the Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA) to expand transportation access for residents. Thanks to CATA's support through the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 program, LHC now operates a dedicated van service for older adults and residents with mobility challenges at Capital City and Oliver Gardens Apartments.

Residents can schedule free local rides, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., by contacting their community leasing office. This service helps strengthen independence, connection, and access to essential resources — key goals of LHC's mission to support full, thriving lives for all residents.



The SUCCESS Project

The Lansing Housing Commission's SUCCESS Project helps Lansing residents build the knowledge, skills and confidence needed for long-term financial stability and self-sufficiency. Through personalized coaching, practical resources, and hands-on support, participants work toward goals such as saving money, buying a home, pursuing education, or starting a business.

Ready to take your next step? Contact LaQuecia Gibson, SUCCESS Project Program Manager, at laquecia@lanshc.org or (517) 614-5149.



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Food Distribution & Pantry at Capital City Apartments

Lansing Housing Commission is happy to help our residents with food support each month. If you live at Capital City Apartments or Oliver Gardens, you can get extra food directly from regular distributions in our Capital City community.

Monthly Food Distribution

Every second Tuesday

1 to 2 p.m.

Residents can pick up fresh food and pantry items to help support their families.

Monthly Food Pantry

Every fourth Tuesday

5 to 6:00 p.m.

The pantry has shelf-stable items and other helpful groceries.

These programs are here to make sure our residents have what they need to thrive.



For 24/7 assistance in locating your nearest emergency food resource, dial 2-1-1 to be connected to a United Way 2-1-1 call center location.



After Hours Emergency Numbers

Waverly Place – 517-487-2700

Hildebrandt – 517-487-2706

Scattered Sites – 517-342-9757

Capital City – 517-487-2701

Laroy Froh – 517-487-2708

