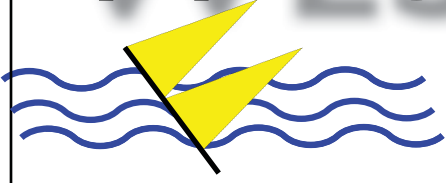


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*For the residents
of North Boulevard
Homes, Mary McLeod
Bethune Homes,
and the surrounding
community*

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RELOCATION BEGINS

Tampa Housing Authority staff have been holding weekly relocation informational meetings for North Boulevard and Mary Bethune residents for several months. However, the relocation process was officially kicked off when the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development approved the Tampa Housing Authority's relocation plan for North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune High Rise on April 13, 2015. In April, regular mandatory relocation workshops started. And on May 20, 2015 the first households were officially cleared for relocation. Resident Relocation Familiarization Tours are held every Tuesday so that each resident can take a tour of all of the properties in Tampa Housing Authority's portfolio. Ms. Jewell Reed was the first person to move to a new apartment as part of the North Boulevard relocation.



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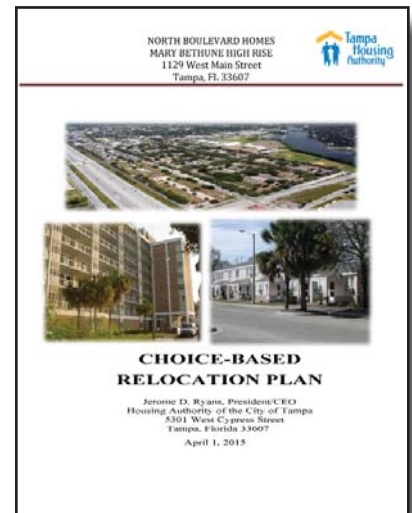


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RELOCATION PLAN

The “Choice Based Relocation Plan” is the official relocation document approved by HUD and with the Re-occupancy Agreement executed by the resident council leadership incorporated. Copies will be distributed to each resident head of household during the one-on-one relocation meeting with the relocation manager. A copy of the plan is also available on the THA website for viewing at any time:

<http://www.thafl.com/WestRiver/WestRiverNewslettersReports.aspx>



RELOCATION OFFICES



The former Tampa Housing Authority offices at 1514 W. Union Street have been remodeled and turned into the official relocation offices for the North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune High Rise relocation. The former board room has been expanded into a central meeting space. The space was fully occupied on June 8th. On June 10th the North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune Homes resident relocation meetings were moved to this space. **Relocation meetings** are now held every Wednesday at 3:00 PM for residents of Mary Bethune and at 5:30 PM for residents of North Boulevard Homes. We can't wait for you to see the space!



IMPORTANT HOUSING AUTHORITY NUMBERS

Section 8 Department: (813) 253-0551

North Boulevard Homes Property Office: (813) 341-9101 ext. 2922

Mary McLeod Bethune Property Office: (813) 341-9101 ext. 2921

Relocation Case Management Manager: Rosa Hill (813) 341-9101 ext. 2071

Relocation Coordinator: Juanisha Bailey (813) 341-9101 ext. 2400

MEET YOUR RELOCATION STAFF

This dedicated group of individuals is here to help you navigate the relocation process and make the best decisions for you and your family.

RELOCATION OUTREACH STAFF: These staff members will conduct the initial individual relocation assessments for of North Boulevard Homes and Mary McLeod Bethune Hi-Rise residents, explain the relocation procedure, and provide assistance in the transportation of residents to visit potential housing replacement locations.



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Relocation Manager
(813) 341-9120 or
(813) 380-2530



Carla Andrews
Outreach Worker for
North Blvd units 166-329
(813) 694-0365



Tamika McBride
Outreach Worker for
North Blvd units 1-165
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Theresa Mosely
Outreach Worker for
North Blvd units 331-489
(813) 210-7941



Sharon Spyke
Outreach Worker for
Mary Bethune Homes
(813) 690-8975

RELOCATION CASE MANAGEMENT STAFF: These staff members will be providing all North Boulevard and Mary Bethune families with case management services. These services include; initial screenings, development of a case plan in accordance with family needs and monitoring client progress. *Staff pictured L to R;*



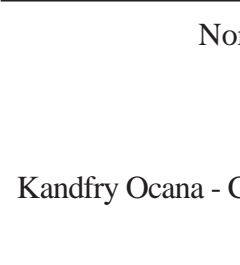
Rosa Hill - Manager of Case Management
(813) 299-6284



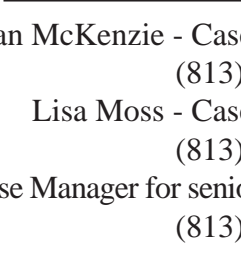
Bridget Johnson - Case Manager for senior residents
(813) 267-7629



Ashley McKenzie - Case Manager
(813) 857-3472



Norlan McKenzie - Case Manager
(813) 310-8640



Lisa Moss - Case Manager
(813) 267-7698



Kanfry Ocana - Case Manager for senior residents
(813) 352-0050



Kimberly Anderson - Relocation office receptionist



Whitney Lofton - Relocation office receptionist



George Martin - Relocation office patrol officer
(813) 352-3057



TAMPA HOUSING AUTHORITY RELOCATION OFFICE STAFF (from left to right)

UPDATED RELOCATION CALENDAR

It's hard to believe that we are already five months into relocation, time sure does fly. Some of our North Boulevard and Mary Bethune families still have not taken the required classes for relocation. It is important that you complete these classes so that you and your family can make their relocation choice in a timely manner. Housing familiarization tours will Below is updated list of upcoming relocation classes:

WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE	TIME	LOCATION
RELOCATION 101 - RELOCATION BASICS, KNOW YOUR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES SUPPORTIVE SERVICES 101 - TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMS SECTION 8 101 - BASIC REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM	9:00am 11:00am 1:00pm	RELOCATION CENTRAL (1514 W. UNION ST.)
HOUSING FAMILIARIZATION TOURS - OPEN TO ALL. A CITY-WIDE TOUR OF PROPERTIES	9:00am until 4:00pm	Meet in front of Bethune/1515 W. Union St.
WEEKLY RELOCATION MEETINGS (MBH AT 2PM AND NBH AT 5:30PM)	2:00pm & 5:30pm	RELOCATION CENTRAL (1514 W. UNION ST.)
REALITIES OF SECTION 8 - REQUIRED FOR ALL CHOOSING THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM	9:00am & 2:00pm	RELOCATION CENTRAL (1514 W. UNION ST.)
SATURDAY WORKSHOPS - INTENSE ALL DAY WORKSHOPS FOR WORKING FAMILIES	9am, 11am, & 1pm	RELOCATION CENTRAL (1514 W. UNION ST.)

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LUCY LAMY, LONGTIME THA RELOCATION COORDINATOR RETIRES

Tampa Housing Authority staff gathered around Ms. Lucy Lamy this August. In honor of her long tenure with the Housing Authority, over 40 years, Ms. Lamy was honored with a beautiful award statue. The Lucy Lamy Tampa Housing Authority Alumni Service award was named in her honor, and she is the first recipient. The Lucy Lamy Service Award will be awarded yearly to distinguished retired and former Tampa Housing Authority employees who continue work in the community and display a passion for service. We hope you will join us in wishing Ms. Lucy a wonderful retirement!



RELOCATION BUS TOURS

Every Tuesday, the Tampa Housing Authority hosts a relocation bus tour. Residents can sign up at their property management office to take the bus tour of all of the Tampa Housing Authority’s properties. The bus tour drives past all of Tampa Housing Authority’s public housing properties and many of our fixed finance and related properties. You can view the exciting new Encore Tampa development!



RESIDENT MOVES

The first resident be relocated from was Ms. Jewell Reed on May 20, 2015 (see her picture on the front page). Between May 20, 2015 and August 30, 2015 forty families have moved from North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune Homes into homes of their chosing with assistance from the Tampa Housing Authority Relocation Office.

From left to right: Mr. Julio Nunez at the Trio, Ms. Abigail Manns, Williams Moving company helping a family move, Ms. Sarah Marshall, and Mr. and Mrs. Tyler



Dear residents of North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune:

Relocation is now in full effect at North Boulevard Homes and Mary Bethune High-Rise. I am so pleased to announce that we have exceeded our target stride of 15 moves per week and that means we should be on schedule to completing the last move sometime in July/August 2016. Thank you to the residents who have taken this opportunity for making good well informed decisions on your families' behalf. If taken serious this opportunity can and will be a positive life changing event which can propel you toward a brighter and more self-sufficient life. Please continue to make good use of your relocation benefits and keep your outreach worker and case manager abreast of your needs and desires.



We wish you nothing but success as you transition to your new home.

Sincerely,

*Jerome D. Ryans
President / CEO*

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