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Albany Housing Authority Newsletter

August 2020

**Congratulations!**



**Chiquita D'Arbeau**  
Title: Executive Director  
Years of Service: 20 Years



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The coronavirus pandemic has shown us how important it is to have accurate contact information on file all for all of our residents. To help us become as efficient as possible, please remember to provide current contact information including e-mail, and alternative or emergency contacts when returning your reexamination packet.



After 30 years of leading the Albany Housing Authority, our former Executive Director, Steve Longo has retired.

Please join us in congratulating Chiquita D'Arbeau on becoming our new Executive Director

*Albany Housing Authority needs the help of all its residents to keep our drains running properly. Liquefied fat, oil, or grease (FOG) that is poured down the kitchen sink can cause serious impact. FOG can cling to the insides of pipes and the sewer system. Over time, it can build up and eventually block pipes completely. If wastewater can not move freely through the pipes and out into the sewer system, it can back up into your or your neighbors home and cause unsanitary conditions and damages that can be expensive to repair.*

***The Albany Housing Authority spends thousands of dollars to clear drains. This is money that would otherwise be used for programs and improvements in and around the properties***

**Congratulations!**



**Steven Longo**  
30 Years Of Service

# Summer Food

(18 and under)

July 1, 2020 - August 22, 2020

Meals will be grab and go at the following locations:

- Ezra Prentice
- Creighton Storey
- Robert Whalen
- Capital Woods
- North Albany
- Ida Yarbrough
- Steamboat Square
- South End Properties

## Flushable Wipes

Can increase the risk of clogged sewer lines and require pumping of septic tanks more often.

If you're trying to avoid all problems with wipes, you should never flush them down the toilet. It's best to throw them in the trash.

We encourage you to use our website from home, 24/7 at [www.albanyhousing.org](http://www.albanyhousing.org) to make payments or apply for housing. We've made a number of enhancements that make it easier than ever to manage these tasks digitally.

Please place any documents in the drop box found inside the 200 South Pearl Street front entrance lobby. Rent payments (Check or Money Order) may be placed in the drop box located outside of the building, to right of the 200 South Pearl Street entrance. Please make sure your name and address is written clearly on your payment.

### **DO NOT PUT CASH IN THE DROP BOX.**

We continue to offer customer support by calling 518-641-7500 (Option 1) 24/7. Using this phone number you can check your rent balance and your status on the waiting list.

**If you have experienced a change in income, please contact your caseworker via phone or e-mail.**

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**Normal Work Order and Inspection procedures have resumed**

## How to Dispose of Cooking Oil and Grease

