"We Have Tomorrow – **Bright Before** Us, Like A Flame."

Langston Hughes

# City of Lawrence The Flame | July 2015

# Moving this month? Tips from the city to make your move easier.

July and August are peak months for moving out of apartments and homes in Lawrence. Moving can create a lot of waste. A little planning and preparation goes a long way toward reducing the amount of waste your move produces. Here are a few helpful tips:

**REDUCE** the amount of waste generated by using reusable or recyclable padding like towels, cloth napkins or newspaper to pack your boxes instead of purchasing Styrofoam peanuts or plastic wrap.

**DONATE** gently used clothing and household goods to local charities or hold a moving sale. Donate non-perishable food to local food banks, pantries and shelters.

**RECYCLE** obsolete electronic equipment, cardboard boxes, newspapers, plastic bags and all other recyclable materials. Visit www.LawrenceRecycles. org for recycling information.

**PROPERLY DISPOSE** of paint, automotive products, household cleaners, pesticides and other potentially hazardous chemicals at the City of Lawrence/Douglas County Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Call (785) 832-3030 to schedule a drop-off appointment.

SCHEDULE A PICK-UP for bulky items no

longer usable, such as couches, appliances and automobile tires, by submitting an online request form available at www.lawrenceks.org/swm or calling (785) 832-3032.

#### WHAT ABOUT MY **CARTS?**

Please do not take the city trash and recycling carts with you when you move. Carts belong to the address delivered.



Lawrence's own technical training center will now open in Fall 2015.

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# Switching utilities this month? Plan ahead.

In July, the city can process up to 500 service requests a day during peak season. However, given the volume of calls and requests received, longer wait times do occur at this time of the year.

Plan ahead. To start, stop, or transfer service, visit: www. lawrenceks.org/utility billing

City info available online at *lawrenceks.org* and on cable Channel 25. The FLAME is published by the City Manager's Office, 832-3400.





## **Garden Hoses & Rope**



Do NOT place garden hoses and other rope-like items in the your blue recycling cart. These items are not recyclable and create issues at the recycling sorting facility.

A garden hose can easily wrap itself around the sorting equipment at the Material Recovery Facility (MRF). This may damage the sorting equipment. There is also significant loss in productivity at the facility when handling unacceptable items.

When no longer usable, place garden hoses and other rope-like items in your green trash cart for landfill disposal.

To review the list of permitted recyclable materials, visit:

www.LawrenceRecycles.org

# You have a right to safe housing



#### No matter where you rent, you have rights.

The City of Lawrence has a residential Rental Licensing and Inspection Program to ensure properties are safe and habitable. If you have safety concerns with where you live, and your landlord is not correcting the issues, you have the right to request an inspection by city staff. Find out more online.

www.lawrenceks.org/rent 783-832-3345 | rental licensing@lawrenceks.org

### New bus route serves Downtown, Peaslee and East Hills Business Park

The new bus route, which began in May, serves several technical training facilities under development at 31st and Haskell Streets. Route 15 will offer hourly service between downtown, 31st and Haskell, and East Hills Business Park.



Technical training facilities at 31st and Haskell will include:

- Lawrence Workforce Center, which is now open.
- Dwayne Peaslee Technical Training Center, which will open in August.
- Lawrence Unified School District's new College and Career Center, which also plans to open for training in August.

For more information, visit *www.lawrencetransit.org* or call (785) 864-4644.



### **Explore new trails this summer**

The City has several new trail projects under construction this summer! Our trail network makes it easier for you and your family to enjoy an active lifestyle and explore our city.

**Burcham Park River Trail:** This 0.64 mile multiuse path runs along the Kansas River, connecting Burcham and Constant Park.

**Burroughs Creek Trail Extension:** This project adds concrete surfacing from 23rd St. to 29th St.

**Baldwin Creek Trail:** This 0.7-mile recreation path will start on Queens Road and head along Baldwin Creek until it meets the newly constructed trails in Rock Chalk Park.

For more trail ideas to help you plan your summer commute or workout, check out this map of all of our recreational trails, shared use paths, and bike lanes: www. lawrenceks.org/assets/mpo/study/reports/lawrencebikemap.pdf



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