

# January 2024

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## TIERRA POINTE APARTMENTS

RESIDENT SERVICES  
AT THIS COMMUNITY PROVIDED BY



MERCED CORE VALUES: INTEGRITY | COMPASSION | SERVICE | COLLABORATION

### MERCED HOUSING TEXAS MISSION

Merced Housing Texas creates and strengthens healthy communities by providing quality, affordable housing with supportive services for low-income individuals, families, and older adults

**Marta Garcia**  
Resident Services  
Program Manager

**Office Hours offsite:**  
By Appointment only

### HOW WE CAN HELP YOU

Resident Services Coordinators provide resources and referrals to residents. We are committed to providing one-on-one assistance in navigating community resources as well as providing information and activities to promote overall wellness.

### JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

### RESIDENT SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT MESSAGE:

HAPPY NEW YEAR  
**2024!**

Dear Residents,  
We hope all of you had a wonderful time celebrating the holidays with friends, family and neighbors. This is a great time to set goals and resolutions for the New Year so we can keep our resolutions and be more successful, healthier and happier in 2024!

Please note, the office will be closed on Monday, January 1, for the New Year's holiday and Monday, January 15, for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

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COMMUNITY HELPFUL REMINDERS

- Rent is due on the 1st of each month, however, you still have until the 3rd to pay your rent without late fees. On the 4th of each month, a late fee will be added to your rent balance.
- The Property Manager is a notary public. If you need to notarize a form and/or a document, please contact the manager during business hours for an appointment.
- ♦ Pest Control in our community is every Thursday. If you need services, please call the office in advance to make a request.
- All trash bags should be placed inside the dumpsters, not outside your door.
- Remember to keep updated with your A/C filters; you can stop by the office if you are in need of one.
- Please help keep our property, your home, looking attractive and clean. Keeping front doors and breezeways clear is a safety requirement.
- Please remove all of your Christmas decorations and lights from your patio or balcony area.

AFTER-SCHOOL HOMEWORK ASSISTANCE

Dates: Wednesdays, January 10 and 24

Time: 4:00 PM—5:00 PM

Place: Community Room

Please have your child(ren) stop by the community room if they need assistance with their homework. This is for school-aged children grades 1 through 8. A snack and drink will be served to those who attend.

KARNES COUNTY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Date: Tuesday, January 2

Time: 9:00 AM

Place: Karnes County Youth Show Bar  
1430 CA 45 Karnes City, TX 78118



This food distribution is only for Karnes City residents. You must present a current ID as proof of your residency. Please remain in your vehicle as this is a drive-thru event. For more information, including future distribution dates, visit <http://www.co.karnes.tx.us/page/karnes.FoodBank>.

RESOURCES

- VETERAN CRISIS LINE  
1.800.273.8225 (OPTION 1)
- KARNES CITY NON EMERGENCY  
POLICE NUMBER  
830.780.3931
- HEAD START ELIGIBILITY  
830.331.8908
- FIRE DEPARTMENT  
830.780.3400
- ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER  
830.780.3422
- WORKFORCE SOLUTION ALAMO  
KARNES CITY 830.583.3332
- ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF  
GOVERNMENT  
210.477.3275 OR 210.362.5200

UTILITY ASSISTANCE

To apply for Utility Assistance, please visit Community Council of South Texas located at 302 N. Butler, Karnes City. You can also call 830.583.9731 or send an email to [mruiz@ccsct.org](mailto:mruiz@ccsct.org).



VITA TAX PREP (VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE) 2024



During the Tax Season (February – April), the VITA program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$64,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS certified VITA volunteers provide basic income tax return services without charge, ensuring 100% of the tax refund goes directly to the customer. In addition to VITA, the Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program offers free tax help for all taxpayers, particularly those who are **60 years of age and older**, specializing in questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors. For more information about locations and operation times in your area call 211 or visit [uwcb.org/vita](https://www.irs.gov/individuals/checklist-for-free-tax-return-preparation). For a full list of items to bring, visit <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/checklist-for-free-tax-return-preparation>.



United Way  
of the Coastal Bend

SCAM CALLS



Scam calls and unwanted telemarketers can be a headache! Due to open enrollment, you may be receiving more of these calls. One way to stop telemarketers from calling you is to register with the National Do Not Call Registry. To register, visit [www.donotcall.gov/](http://www.donotcall.gov/). You will need to provide your name, email address and phone number when registering. One way to stop spam calls is to **NOT** answer the phone, especially if you do not recognize the number. After so many unanswered calls, the scam caller will remove your number from their call list.