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# QUARTERLY CONNECTIONS

## NEWSLETTER

ATLANTIC  
HOUSING  
FOUNDATION

This newsletter is proudly presented by our Community Services Department, committed to fostering connections among our diverse communities. We're dedicated to uniting and empowering our communities through valuable information and meaningful engagement. If you like what you are seeing, and want to participate in **your** community, contact your leasing office, or check out your community monthly newsletter for events happening where you live! We can't wait to see you.



## CORPORATE VOLUNTEER TIME OFF

### Vogel Alcove

Did you know one of our core values is passion for service? All employees at Atlantic Housing receive Volunteer Time Off (VTO) as a benefit, to use to make a difference in the communities where we live and work.

In June, some of our Corporate employees used VTO to volunteer at Vogel Alcove. Vogel Alcove's mission is to help young children and their families prevent and overcome the lasting and traumatic effects of homelessness and poverty through providing world class early childhood education and supportive services to their families. It was a great day of playing with children, and helping their teachers make an impact in their classrooms.

## AHF STAFF HIGHLIGHT

### Denee Smith

Denee Smith joined Atlantic Housing Foundation March, 2021 as an Accounts Payable Specialist with a strong background in accounting and finance. She takes pride in being part of a company with such diversity and inclusion, and loves that AHF offers philanthropic opportunities such as affordable housing, and scholarship programs. Specifically, she appreciates the community service opportunities within the company. Denee is looking forward to more years and opportunities to work with the AHF family in making a difference.

She is proud to be part of something as meaningful as the work of AHF. Outside of work, Denee enjoys spending time with family, cooking, and line dancing.



We are so grateful for passionate team members, like Denee!



## COMMUNITY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

### Bee Busy Inc. & Arrowood Apartments

Bee Busy's mission is to build a strong, healthy community by enhancing the quality of life for individuals and families in Houston. They've been doing their work for over 20 years! Their team offered health screenings to the residents of Arrowood Apartments free of charge. Without these services, these tests could cost up to \$400! Thanks to the Bee Busy team, our Arrowood community is healthier and happier!

Learn more about Bee Busy Inc. at [beebusy.org](http://beebusy.org)

Did you know our Community Service Pillar for this quarter is Health and Wellness? How can your community help advance your Health and Wellness?

## WATERS AT ELM CREEK

San Antonio, TX

### Groceries for Good

In May, neighbors at Waters at Elm Creek Apartments pitched in and helped their local USPS run a canned food drive for their local food bank. They were one of the only communities to join in this effort. They donated 210 canned goods and food items to their local food bank! Great things can happen when neighbors work together! Fantastic Job Waters at Elm Creek staff and residents!

Want to arrange something similar with YOUR neighbors? Go to [findhelp.org](https://findhelp.org) to find a food bank near you, and ask them how you can help!



## COVINGTON CREEK

Irving, TX

### Health Help

In April, The team at Covington Creek Apartments worked to help support the health and well-being of their residents, alongside three health resources from their neighborhood at a Community Health Fair. Great work, and thanks to our residents and partners for making this event successful!

Based on your feedback, AHF is exploring a potential partnership with a telehealth provider to bring enhanced health and wellness resources directly to residents. We want to hear your thoughts and gauge if this is a good fit for YOU. Complete this survey by **July 25th** to let us know what you think - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ahfhealth25>

## ARBORS OF DENTON

Denton, TX

### SNO Much Fun

The team at Arbors of Denton provided a cool way to help their students unwind and de-stress amidst the hectic pace of the semester's end for our college students at University of North Texas and Texas Woman's University.

Students enjoyed refreshing snow cones provided by the team, social interaction with neighbors in their community, and a break from studying.

We're excited to see all of our college students back this Fall!



## AHF SCHOLARSHIP GRAD BRAG

Bryce Crawford was awarded an Academic Scholarship for his Graduate Degree in the Fall of 2022. Last May, Bryce graduated from Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, specializing in ecological building practices.

"The Atlantic Housing Foundation Scholarship allowed me precious time to continue to work on my research and with my colleagues instead of working additional hours to pay for tuition."

**Bryce Crawford Master of Design 2022 Academic Scholarship Recipient**

Since 2006, Atlantic Housing Foundation has awarded more than \$20 million dollars in academic and housing scholarships to over 1,100 students across the country. Scholarships are open to any student enrolled at an accredited university/technical school or in a certification program.

Students can apply for Academic and Housing Scholarships October 15th through February 1st. Please apply at [AHF Scholarships](https://atlantichousingfoundation.org/scholarships)

## WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER?

Atlantic Housing is committed to improving the lives of our residents through education and service. Share your thoughts with us on what YOU would like to see in these newsletters. Email us at [cs@ahfservice.org](mailto:cs@ahfservice.org) your ideas, thoughts, or questions!

Love the newsletter? Follow us on social media for more!

Going to an event at your community? We would love to see it! Tag us @atlantichousing.



## AHF GOOD GRADES PROGRAM

### GOOD GRADES = GREAT REWARDS

Atlantic Housing offers rent discounts and/or incentives to families with students (K—12) who achieve perfect attendance or are on the A or A/B honor roll.

**WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE GOOD GRADES PROGRAM!**

**REPORT CARDS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY JULY 31ST**

- 10% rental discount for perfect attendance
- 10% rental discount for A honor roll
- 5% rental discount for A/B honor roll

To learn more or apply go to [AHF Good Grades](#)



## AH-MAZING SUMMER READING ADVENTURES

Our AH-Mazing Summer Reading Adventures are in full swing!

We have 65 adventurers reading their way through Summer, and can't wait to see how and what everyone was reading.

Registered participants have received electronic invitations to submit reading logs and challenge sheets. All submissions are due **by August 10<sup>th</sup>** for your child's reading to count towards points.

Questions? Email us at [cs@ahfservice.org](mailto:cs@ahfservice.org)

Already registered and need the link to turn in your logs?

Go to <https://atlantichousing.smapply.org/prog/summer-reading/>



## GET READY FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

Back to School Season is already upon us and Atlantic Housing wants to help you get your families ready!

From late July through August, your property will be hosting a Back-to-School event, to help you prep for the school year, celebrate the end of Summer, and get everyone excited for the new season. Not sure when or how to participate? Check in with your leasing office to find out more!

