

### IMPORTANT OCTOBER DATES

- Get Organized Week is October 5-10
- Fire Prevention Week is October 5-10
- Oct 1st -Rent is Due
- Oct 11th- Last Day to Submit Written Notice to Move
- Oct 12th - Indigenous People's Day
- Oct 12th-Columbus Day- Banks are Closed
- Oct 15th – National Shake Out Drill: Drop, Cover and Hold on Earthquake Drill
- Oct 16th– National Boss' Day
- Oct 25th – Mother-in-Law Day
- Oct 31st – Halloween and Happy Harvest Day

October is National Crime Prevention Month, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month

### RENT IS DUE ON THE FIRST.....

Rent is due on the **FIRST** of the month. If you are unable to pay your rent in full by the **FIRST** of the month, contact the Apartment Community Manager before the **FIRST** of the month when the rent is already due.



## Working From Home

Working from home comes with a lot of luxuries, but the key to successfully getting your job done is having the proper space to work. When you rent an apartment, you have the option to live in a studio, one, two or even three-bedroom apartment. You will enjoy several advantages to help with your work from home lifestyle. Learn about these benefits and ways you can thrive while you work from home.

1. **Dedicated Workspace.** When you work from home, you may easily get distracted. For example, if you work in a kitchen, you may find yourself distracted with food options or daily chores like dishes. When you rent an apartment with an extra room, you will have a dedicated workspace without extra distractions. You can set up the office to emulate a real office, which allows you to stay focused on work during your work hours.

2. **Home Office Deduction.** While a multi-room apartment may cost more than a single bedroom apartment, some of your costs may be offset with a home office deduction. Anyone who rents or owns a home can add a home office deduction to their tax filings. The separate room will help eliminate any problems and reduce the amount of taxes you owe, especially if you are a business owner. Always consult your tax preparer before making a final decision.

3. **Work Meetings, AKA Zoom Calls.** In most cases, your work from home job may require you to meet with clients and potential customers via an online, on-camera meeting. Having a professional space to conduct the meetings will make all the difference. With a home office, you can set up a polished setting (and background!) so you can attend or host these meetings professionally. The space will add a professional touch to the business without mixing into your everyday home life.

4. **Workspace Organization.** When you work from home without an office, organization may be a struggle. One room could have a filing cabinet, another room may have your computer desk, and a kitchen area might be where you store your supplies. A separate office allows full workspace organization. With everything business-related in a single room, you can separate your business life and personal life all within a single apartment. When your workday is complete, simply shut the office door to enjoy the rest of the apartment without any business worries.

If you are currently working from home and could use the extra space, talk to your onsite property management team about the possibility of up-sizing your current apartment into a larger, more spacious apartment.



## Upsize to a 3-Bedroom Apartment!

Thinking about upgrading your current apartment? Consider renting a 3-bedroom apartment. You'll love the extra space for hobbies, crafts or all-night gaming, freedom to work from home comfortably, a private room to study or finally have that dedicated workout room to keep yourself healthy and strong! We have 3-bedroom apartments across Tacoma and the greater South Sound Area. If you are ready to upsize your apartment and upgrade your life, check out these properties who have 3-bedroom apartments ready TODAY!

- Nantucket Gate, Parkland: [www.rentatnantucketgate.com](http://www.rentatnantucketgate.com)
- Kensington Gate, Parkland: [www.rentatkensingtongate.com](http://www.rentatkensingtongate.com)
- Ridgedale, University Place: [www.rentatridgedale.com](http://www.rentatridgedale.com)
- Canyon Park, Puyallup: [www.rentatcanyonpark.com](http://www.rentatcanyonpark.com)
- Willow Hill, Puyallup: [www.rentatwillowhill.com](http://www.rentatwillowhill.com)
- Alder Court, Tacoma: [www.rentataldercourt.com](http://www.rentataldercourt.com)
- The 4425, Gig Harbor: [www.rentat4425.com](http://www.rentat4425.com)

## If You Must Move

We certainly do not wish to see any of our valuable residents move. If you have a concern or unresolved issue, please either call or email your Apartment Community Manager or email [info@dmcimail.com](mailto:info@dmcimail.com). We encourage you to make your voice heard. You are a valued resident, and we appreciate the opportunity to hear your concern and correct the situation. Your satisfaction is important to us.

However, if you must move, notify the Apartment Community Manager, as soon as possible. October 11, 2020 will be the last day to give proper, written Twenty Day Notice of Intent to Vacate required by Washington Residential Landlord/Tenant Act to move the end of this month. However, if you paid a Last Month's Rent, in order to avoid a Late Fee, your Twenty Day Notice of Intent to Vacate must be completed and submitted to the rental office by the third of the month. For your convenience, there is a Cleaning List at the bottom of the Twenty Day Notice of Intent to Vacate form. When disposing of trash or unwanted items, do not put them outside the trash container. In addition, do not put large objects, such as furniture, in the dumpster or trash compactor. Should a resident do either of these, the resident will be charged for the proper disposal of any trash or items left outside the dumpster. Instead, please notify the Apartment Community Manager so she may assist you with an alternative solution, such as having large items hauled off by an independent vendor at the resident's expense. To ensure your Security Deposit Refund Accounting arrives in a timely manner, include your forwarding address on the Notice of Intent to Vacate form, as well as confirming and assuring this information is written correctly when you turn in your keys.

*As a former resident, you will qualify for a \$250.00 Former Resident Referral for any friend, co-worker or relative you refer who chooses to rent from any Dobler Management Company Inc, managed apartment community. Also, should you need an apartment anywhere in the South Puget Sound area in the future, we hope you will think of our apartment communities.*

## To Our Valued Residents

We hope you and your family are staying well. It's a stressful time for all of us, and we hope to ease the stress a bit by staying connected while continuing to provide you a safe and responsive level of service you expect as we navigate together through this ever-changing pandemic.

We appreciate you and the communication efforts you have made with your Apartment Community Manager. As we near the end of this month, and in anticipation of what we may need to begin considering for rents in September regarding our residents' individual financial situations, we are already preparing for next month.

In order to make it easier for you to communicate with your Apartment Community Manager what you may need to propose for a rent payment " plan of action", please take a moment to answer the questions below and email your Apartment Community Manager this information. Please note we appreciate specific dates for each payment, in order to respond to your request and to best establish a payment plan. Are you:

1. I am unable to pay my October rent on time because \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I can make my first rent payment on October \_\_\_\_\_, 2020
3. I can make my second rent payment on October \_\_\_\_\_, 2020
4. If needed, I can make my third rent payment on October \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Resident Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Resident's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Our goal is to try and obtain full collection on or before October 19, 2020, as we need to close our accounting month. Once you have submitted this form, a rental office team member will contact you within the next few days to discuss your specific situation and available options.

Our apartment community is committed to working with those adversely impacted, while remaining compliant with all state and local protections. We truly appreciate your patience, as we personally work with a large number of residents and their unique situations. You are important to us.

Thank you again for making your housing for yourself and your family a priority. We are all in this together.

Sincerely, Your Apartment Community Employee Team

## Resident Resources

Have you seen our online Resident Resources page?

Visit [doblermanagement.com/residents](http://doblermanagement.com/residents) to view a number of important guidelines and tips! From payment policies to pool rules, this page is full of helpful information to make living at a Dobler Management community comfortable and enjoyable.

Here are some resources you'll find:

- **Smoke Free Reminder:** To improve air quality reduce the chance of a fire and reduce everyone's exposure to secondhand smoke, all apartment communities we manage are smoke-free. Learn about the different levels of smoke-free in our Smoke Free Reminder.
- **Live Where you Work:** If you are seeking employment, consider joining our employee team!
- **October 5th – October 10th is Fire Prevention Week:** Read up on some Fire and Burn Prevention Tips to protect you, your family and friends.

We hope that you find these articles (and others) helpful and thank you for choosing to live at one of our communities!