

## Renovations - Completed

### **THE TERRACE**

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*The Terrace*, (formerly Richardson Terrace-constructed in 1969) underwent comprehensive renovations which were completed in January 2012. This newly renovated property offers 90 dwelling units, designated for the elderly/disabled, and is comprised of one and two bedroom apartments, including handicap accessible units.

The Montgomery Housing Authority (MHA) transformed *The Terrace*, from an obsolete, minimally functional senior building, to a well-appointed, state-of-the-art property that rivals any private sector apartment community. Prior to renovation, the building lacked suitable living space and common areas. The bedrooms lacked privacy, as there were no doors separating the living/dining areas. The plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems were outdated and the entire building was not compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. Renovations of the interior and exterior of the property, using sustainable design elements, makes it a sought after property.



Since its completion, the residents of *The Terrace* enjoy a higher standard of living and an improved quality of life. Newly installed amenities include:

- ✚ New energy efficient appliances
- ✚ Garbage disposals and Microwaves
- ✚ Dishwashers and Refrigerators with ice makers
- ✚ Aluminum double-paned windows
- ✚ Improved lighting
- ✚ Updated kitchens and baths
- ✚ Central Heat & Air Conditioning
- ✚ Free Wi-Fi Common Areas

New energy efficient state-of-the-art washers and dryers were installed in the security monitored laundry facility, along with tables for folding laundry, a utility sink and a loadable cash card machine.

Residents are now able to socialize in the common areas, which include a newly appointed community room with a flat screened TV, a well-appointed kitchen and a library with computers. New mailboxes have been installed that are tucked away neatly in an alcove. The development now provides ADA compliant public restrooms. Adjacent to the development, is an outdoor patio and a picnic area that is also handicap accessible. The community also boasts a community garden where residents grow fresh fruits and vegetables.

There is a state-of-the-art security camera system throughout the property, and a new card entry system, to enhance security.



Residents receive current information, regarding upcoming events, via a television monitor located in the lobby, which eliminates the need to distribute flyers and notices, advising of upcoming events. Signage throughout the building was also updated to include braille nomenclature.

## Renovations - In Progress

### **PARKS PLACE**

1026 Rosa Parks Avenue • Montgomery, Alabama 36108

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Constructed in 1941, *Parks Place*, (formerly Cleveland Court), will be undergoing a substantial upgrade in 2013. *Parks Place* is the former home of the Mrs. Rosa Parks, *Mother of the Civil Rights Movement*. Mrs. Parks and her husband lived in Cleveland Court from 1951 to 1957 during the height of the modern Civil Rights Movement and the Montgomery Bus Boycott. After Mrs. Parks was arrested on December 1, 1955 and released, she retired to her home at 632 Cleveland Avenue. The home that Mrs. Parks resided is currently offline and on the national register for historic places.



The property consists of 150 dwelling units with a mix of townhome and garden apartments. With the exception of the apartment and building in which Mrs. Parks resided, renovation on the remaining buildings at this housing development began in August 2013. Each unit will be appointed with central heating and air conditioning, washers and dryers, new windows, and a remodeled kitchen. Exterior improvements will include updated building façade, including lighting, front porches and columns. Landscaping improvements will be made throughout the property and the community and management buildings will also undergo improvements.