**June 2021**

Dear Homeowners,

We are merging the monthly newsletters of the Disaster Preparedness Committee and the RHOA office. Please give us your feedback on how well this communicates.

**The RHOA Office Expansion Project** should be completed by July 31st, 2021.The Project is currently 60% complete.

**The Gates Refurbishing Project** will be completed by July 31st. All physical gates have been refurbished, painted and re-installed. A new arm has been installed at The Palms gate.  The other arms have been removed for refurbishing. Two (2) arms the Coolshade gates are to be refurbished.

**The Notes of the recent General meeting** were circulated by email on June 11, 2021. They are also posted at <https://richmondhoajm.com/documents/> on the RHOA’s website

(<https://richmondhoajm.com/member-login/?redirect_to=https://richmondhoajm.com/>). Also posted are the Chat session, the questions raised in the Chat session, the questions submitted ahead of time to the general meeting, and the answers to these questions in the same place as the Notes.

**Contacts: Homeowner Audit 2021**

We need to update our databases with email addresses and telephone numbers for homeowners, and other info about tenants, caretakers etc. An HOA team will be calling around to have a 10-minute conversation with each homeowner to collect the information. This will improve our ability to serve you,  communicate more efficiently and enhance Security. The Audit starts on Wednesday July 7th. Looking forward to talking with you soon!

**Hurricane Preparedness**

As July begins, Tropical storm Elsa is likely to bring us a lot of rain. Remember to check your emergency kit, trim your trees, store water and dry foods, check get your neighbours contacts and tell the RHOA office about any of your neighbours that are vulnerable. Pay attention to the daily weather report at http://metservice.gov.jm/local-forecast/.

For hurricane information you can always check:

https://www.moh.gov.jm/health-advisory-for-hurricane-preparation/

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/cyclones/>

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/graphics_at5.shtml?key_messages>

<https://www.odpem.org.jm/hurricanes/>.

<https://twitter.com/MetserviceJA/status/1410646798729977857?s=19>

Do you have your emergency numbers posted for all members of the household to access?

**Earthquake Preparedness**

Earthquakes strike without warning. Remember to practice **Drop**, **cover** under a sturdy desk or table, **hold** on, and protect your eyes by pressing your face against your arm.

**Covid-19**

As difficult as it is, please seize the next opportunity to get vaccinated to protect yourself, your loved ones, and the community. Always comply with the protocols and regulations issued by the Ministry of Health and Wellness.

**Dengue**

Both communities were sprayed recently to control the mosquito population. We now have to eradicate the mosquito breeding sites in our houses and yards. Check anywhere water accumulates – flower pots, unused toilets, gutters, containers etc – and make sure they are not collecting water.

How can you help to keep Richmond as the best place to live in Jamaica?