

# **Indoor Air Quality**

In many cases, you will likely be the first to notice issues in the interior of your home. We need to work together as partners to keep our homes in top condition. It is important to report any leaks or other issues to the Work Order Office in a timely fashion.

# Steps to Improve Indoor Air Quality

# **Identify Leaks**

Report any water problems or leaks such as leaks from water heaters, toilets, tub surrounds, furnaces, air conditioning units, and washing machines or from the exterior (i.e. rainwater). These should be repaired as soon as possible.

# **Reduce Humidity**

Keep indoor humidity levels low (30-50% is ideal) by venting bathrooms, dryers, and other moisturegenerating sources to the outside and using air conditioners and dehumidifiers.

#### Increase Airflow

Increase seasonal cross-flow ventilation by opening windows and doors periodically and by using exhaust fans when cooking, dishwashing, and bathing. Avoid stacking boxes or bags against walls for extended periods of time.

#### **Prevent Issues**

Dry out wet carpeted areas as soon as possible.

## **Conduct Routine Housekeeping**

Conduct regular house cleaning using soap and water and rinsing with clean water.

### Replace Filters

Replace furnace filters regularly—filters are available to residents free of charge at the Self-Help Store.

Balfour Beatty Communities inspects any environmental issues within 24-hours of notification. Actions to resolve issues will be set in motion immediately.