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PHFA partners with Harrisburg Senators on Hometown Heroes event

Free tickets to Aug. 14 ballgame planned to thank public safety and military personnel in the mid-state

HARRISBURG – The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency and the Harrisburg Senators are partnering to recognize people working in public safety positions and current and past military personnel with a special, free afternoon of baseball for them and their families at FNB Field on City Island.

Free admission to the Sunday, Aug. 14, game against the Binghamton Mets is being offered to police and fire personnel, emergency medical technicians, current military personnel, and veterans who live and work in southcentral Pennsylvania. Each hometown hero may be accompanied to the game by up to three members of their family at no charge. There is no limit to the number of public safety and military personnel who can attend the game.

“We wanted to make sure that these local heroes in our community are recognized in a special way to demonstrate our support and recognition for the tremendous work they do protecting and serving us every day,” said PHFA Executive Director and CEO Brian A. Hudson Sr. “We hope others from Harrisburg and nearby communities will attend the game, as well, to show their support for these hometown heroes.”

Public safety and military personnel are asked to bring along to the game ID confirming their current or, in the case of veterans, past service.

“The Harrisburg Senators are proud to partner with the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency to recognize and reward these special people in our communities,” said Senators’ General Manager Randy Whitaker. “The work they do and risks they take every day in the pursuit of protecting our safety is truly admirable. We are happy to be able to offer this small token of appreciation for each of them.”

The Harrisburg Senators and PHFA will recognize all attending hometown heroes during the game. This will be a chance for other attendees to share their appreciation, too, for these special people living and working in the mid-state.

Continuing the game’s theme, a special appearance of the Rescue Pups is planned for children to enjoy. These characters wear the uniforms of public safety personnel and help educate children about the work done by fire and police departments. Game time is 1:30 p.m.

People planning to attend the game who have questions about what ID to bring with them are asked to call the Harrisburg Senators at (717) 231-4444. More information is also available on the Senators’ website.

About PHFA

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency works to provide affordable homeownership and rental housing options for older adults, low- and moderate-income families, and people with special housing

needs. Through its carefully managed mortgage programs and investments in multifamily housing developments, PHFA also promotes economic development across the state. Since its creation by the legislature in 1972, it has generated more than \$12.6 billion of funding for more than 164,000 single-family home mortgage loans, helped fund the construction of 129,322 rental units, and saved the homes of more than 48,600 families from foreclosure. PHFA programs and operations are funded primarily by the sale of securities and from fees paid by program users, not by public tax dollars. The agency is governed by a 14-member board.

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