SACS NEWSLETTER

"Serving the public housing industry for 40 years"

New SACS Website

By Keith Scott

On Wednesday, July 28, 2010, a completely redesigned SACS website was launched. You will find information on our products, services, technical support documents, manuals, training opportunities, updates, and the latest SACS News.

If you had signed up for access to the old website, you can login with your old user name and password. You must be a registered user to access the support information and receive our SACS News Flash emails. If you have not registered, log on to http://www.sacsinc.com and click the *Register* link.



New SACS Home Page

http://www.sacsinc.com

Welcome New Customers

By Sherri Blasingame

Please welcome our newest customers:

Maryville Housing Authority - Maryville, TN

Send us your story

By Grant Dark

We want to feature you in our newsletter. Let us know if you have found a unique use for our applications. Send your story to grant@sacsinc.com.



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Developer's Corner

By Danny Lloyd

Our developers have been busy this summer with a number of program enhancements and general changes. You will find information on some of these enhancements in this newsletter. Our next public release is scheduled for October 2010. It will include all of the latest changes and enhancements. You will receive an email when the update is released.

This update will include changes to our payroll system to accommodate the requirements of the Health Care Reform Act. Starting with your first payroll in 2011, employers will be required to track the amount of money that they contribute to a health care plan on behalf of an employee. This amount will be reported in an information box on the employee's 2011 W2,

that will be issued in January of 2012. This reporting requirement will not affect the employee's taxes.

As we understand the requirements, if your agency pays 45% of the health insurance cost for an employee, you will be required to report that dollar amount on the W2. Again this will be reported in an information box and will not change the employee's taxes. The IRS has not released the final rule. There may be other requirements before this starts in January 2011. We will be releasing a technical notice in December that will help you with the required setup and changes.

We are constantly updating the software to meet your needs. If you have a program change idea, please send it to changerequest@sacsinc.com.

Tech Tips

By Mark Worthy

The following are common questions and answers about SACS Housing Software:

Tenant Receivables

Q: How do I set up a repayment agreement?

A: From Tenant Receivables Tenants screen, click on the Agreement tab and fill out the information on this screen. If the tenant is paying the same day that you are entering the agreement, take the first payment before you set up the agreement. Then reduce the agreement by the amount that is prepaid. Use this revised amount to setup the agreement. This will insure that the tenant does not carry a credit monthly repayment balance.

Accounts Payable

Q: How do I enter my utility consumption information?

A: First, establish Utility Consumption setup records for each project. Then when entering invoices, place a check in the Utility Bill box then click the Utility button. Select the calendar month in which the utility bill applies.



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New Product Announcements

By Grant Dark

SACS Web Applications

- Owner Inquiry
- Tenant Inquiry
- Waiting List Inquiry

Owner Inquiry – Section 8 landlords have secure web access to their records including a list of units, tenants, and check history. The check detail is also available and can be easily exported to Microsoft Excel.

Tenant Inquiry – Section 8 & Conventional tenants can easily access their records and view their balance, rent amount, pending rent changes, recertification dates, and more.

Waiting List Inquiry – Section 8 & Conventional Applicants can quickly find their position on the waiting list.

Contact SACS Sales today for more information and to set up a demonstration.

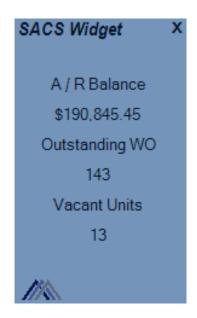
888-897-4012 or sales@sacinc.com

SACS Widget update...

Based on overwhelming customer feedback, the SACS Widget continues to evolve and now supports these features:

- ✓ Rents billed year-to-date & month-to-date
- ✓ Rents collected year-to-date & month-to-date
- ✓ Percentage of rents uncollected year-to-date & month-to-date
- ✓ Number of recertifications due in current month and next month
- ✓ Listing of units in maintenance
- ✓ Listing of recertifications and inspections scheduled on the SACS Calendar

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Sample Widget configuration.

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SACS Investigator

Scott Accounting & Computer Services, Inc. and TruDiligence have partnered to provide an integrated background check service. We call this integration *SACS Investigator*.

By using the TruDiligence service, we are now able to provide an automated resource for all of your applicant screening needs. As a leader in the applicant screening industry for more than 16 years, TruDiligence offers you an arsenal of solutions designed to streamline your applicant selection and screening processes.

This integration means that you now have seamless one-click access to order searches and retrieve results, all from the convenience of your SACS Application.



Service Features

- No new software needed
- No contracts required
- No monthly minimum
- Integrated directly into SACS Application

For details on this service and screening product pricing, click on this link **SACS** Investigator.

SACS Training

SACS provides several means to enhance your knowledge in SACS Housing Software. We offer on-site training at your office and off-site training in our computer lab. These training sessions are instructor led with one-on-one assistance.

In the last quarter of 2010, we will begin offering on-line training. On-line training is a cost effective way to educate your employees with SACS Housing Software. Your employees can easily connect to our web-based training sessions. It requires a computer with Internet access and a speaker phone to participate in the class.

If you need on-line one-on-one training, we can customize the training session to your requirements. Customized training can include the use of your databases.

Details on class schedules and outlines will be available soon. For more information visit SACS Training.

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PIC Critical Care™



Are you tired of constantly monitoring your PIC scores? With SACS PIC Critical Care, you no longer have to spend valuable time navigating the HUD website. Our automated and secure system will send you an email containing your PIC reporting rate. Best of all, its **FREE!** To find our more information, visit <u>PIC Critical Care</u>.

Dear User:

Your PIC reporting rate for the period ending August 31, 2010 is:



Agency Code	Required 58's	Received 58's	Percentage
AL### Public Housing	38	38	100.00

This information is provided as a free service by Scott Accounting and Computer Services, Inc. For more information visit http://www.sacsinc.com.

To change your PIC agencies or to unsubscribe, click this <u>link</u>.

SACS PIC Critical Care Team



Sample PIC Critical Care email

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