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## OCTAGON TOWERS CONDOMINIUM

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## OWNER'S UPDATE OCTAGON TOWERS CONDOMINIUM

- The modernization of the Elevator just started. The crew is working on replacing the elevator doors. They will do 1 elevator at a time. We expect the full project to be completed by the end of this year or beginning of next year.
- The fire sprinkler company is continuing the work on the 8th floor. They will move to the 7th within about 2 weeks.
- The drywall company should be back to work on the 9th floor in the coming days.
- The association passed a special assessment on August 14th, 2024. Detailed instructions for payment will be sent to all owners as soon as the bank opens the new required bank account.
- The Ficus hedges were treated once again this week against White Fly since the leaves started to drop on the Washington Ave side by the entrance of the property and by the pool. The infection should be stopped at this point. We will continue to monitor closely and treat as needed.
- The association has switched the cable service with Breezeline to internet service during the end of the month of July. If not done already, please remember that each unit needs to contact Breezeline at the following number in order to get the internet service: **855.371.1552**.
- The roof replacement project has now entered the bidding process. The goal is to replace the roof before the end of this year.
- We are pending the approval of the permit by city officials for the access control/CCTV project to start.
- Please visit your owner's portal if you need a certificate of insurance for your lender. A form to fill out and send directly to the insurance is



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available there. It can be used each year to request a Certificate of Insurance. <https://sites.vertilinc.com/octagontowers/>

- Please find below a reminder regarding trash disposal:
  - o Refuse/bagged garbage shall be deposited only in the trash chute, or in the containers provided in the trash room. In this regard, all refuse must be in sealed bags. -Cardboard boxes or any size, wire hangers, newspapers, and any item that might clog the chute must be brought to the ground floor trash room, which is accessible from the atrium. -No construction debris, paint cans or other volatile or inflammable objects shall be placed in the trash chute, recycling bins or trash room. These items must be properly disposed of in accordance with the environmental protection guidelines. **BULK TRASH IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE**

**BUILDING’S TRASH ROOM.**

- o Please arrange for a pickup or dispose of your bulk trash with the city of Miami Beach, the information can be find here: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/public-works/sanitation-division/bulk-disposal/> -Recycle all glass, plastic containers and newspapers in order to keep our sanitation costs down. Recycling bins are in the trash room. -All household garbage must be placed in sealed plastic bags that can fit easily into the trash chute openings. **RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

We also remind you that the owner’s portal provides information accessible to you, certificate of insurance requests for lenders, approved meeting minutes, governing documents, ... Please use the link below:

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# Sheet Pan Chicken with Mozzarella, Pesto, and Broccoli

- 2 pounds boneless chicken breasts
- 2 teaspoons garlic salt
- ground black pepper to taste
- 6 tablespoons pesto
- 2 medium Roma (plum) tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 1 ½ cups shredded mozzarella
- 1 head broccoli, cut into florets
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- salt to taste

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F. Lightly grease a large sheet pan. Season chicken with garlic salt and pepper; place onto the prepared sheet pan. Spread pesto over chicken, then top with tomatoes and mozzarella. Toss broccoli and oil together in a bowl; season with salt and pepper. Scatter around chicken on the baking sheet. Bake in the preheated oven until broccoli is tender and chicken is no longer pink in the center and the juices run clear, 15 to 20 minutes. An instant-read thermometer inserted into the center should read at least 165 degrees F.





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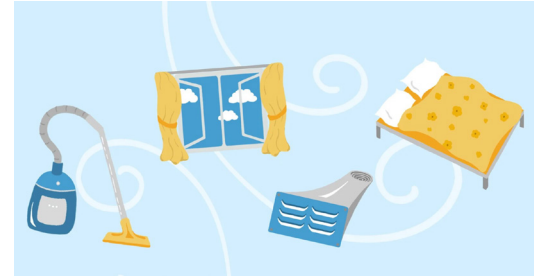
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Have you noticed that the air in your home is not as clean and fresh as it should be? These tips will help you breathe easier!

- When cooking or cleaning, keep your windows open as much as possible.
- When cooking on the top of the stove, cover pots and pans, especially when frying. Use the ventilating fan under the hood of the stove when cooking.
- Use the bathroom exhaust fan or open a bathroom window when steam is present.
- Make sure your vacuum cleaner is working properly and does not blow dust back into the room. Change vacuum cleaner bags frequently.
- Use doormats at each entrance to your home to collect dirt and dust before it enters your home.
- Dust your home regularly and clean large flat surfaces several times a year.
- Vacuum and sweep regularly.
- Clean and change the filters on any humidifiers or air-filtration systems regularly.
- Wash all bedding in hot water weekly.
- Use non-toxic cleaning products and don't mix different types of cleaning solutions together.
- Place some houseplants in your home. They remove toxins from the air.
- Don't smoke inside your home.



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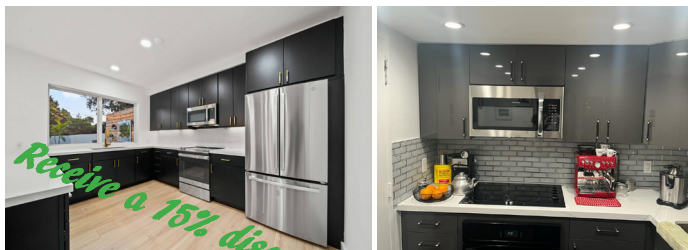
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