Housing Authority of Clackamas County Landlord News

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Keeping Clackamas County Landlords Informed

The statewide eviction moratorium has expired, and tenants are now required to pay their full rent for July and moving forward. We want to thank you for keeping your tenants in their homes during the pandemic, even if they have not been able to pay the rent you depend on. We understand this situation may have caused you a great deal of stress, and we appreciate all you have done to help prevent mass evictions in Clackamas County.

SENATE BILL 278 EVICTIONS

Unfortunately, there have been countrywide delays in distributing the Emergency Rent Assistance funds to renters. This is the case in the state of Oregon as well.

In order to prevent mass evictions, the state has provided an additional 60 days of eviction protection for tenants who cannot pay rent, but can demonstrate, in written form, that they have applied for rental assistance. It also puts in place a fund to reimburse landlords whose tenants take advantage of the 60 day extension, but ultimately don't receive rent assistance.

SB 278 also reimburses landlords who applied for the Landlord Compensation for the forgiven 20% of rent. If you applied to that fund prior to the June 23 deadline, you will receive another payment to ensure you received full compensation. There is no need to reapply; the funds will be automatically distributed to previous applicants.

To learn more about SB 278, go to https://oregonrentalhousing.com/news/10 715071

ASSISTANCE TO TENANTS

Tenants in Clackamas County that were impacted by COVID-19 may be eligible for rent assistance. Tenants should be encouraged to contact the Coordinated Housing Access Line at 503-655-8575 or request help online: https://www.clackamas.us/communityde velopment/cha

If tenants are unable to pay rent, they may also need other assistance to pay utilities or need food. Encourage them to call 2-1-1 or email: <u>Help@211info.org</u>

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR SUBMISSION SUGGESTIONS

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