Landlord Responsibilities

Know Your Landlord's Responsibilities

The landlord must:

- Ensure that the unit is safe;
- Provide a copy of the signed lease to the tenant;
- Provide receipts for rent and security deposit payments to the tenant;
- Comply with all legal requirements concerning health, safety, etc. of the unit;
- Ensure the property is clean and in good condition at move-in;
- Maintain appliances or services that are included in the rent (e.g., heat and water);
- Respect the privacy of the tenant;
- Respect and preserve the tenant's right to quiet enjoyment of the rental unit.

The tenant has the right to:

- Live in a home that is safe;
- Receive a signed copy of the lease;
- Receive receipts for rent and security deposit payments;
- A rental unit that is maintained and fit for habitation and enjoyment;
- Exclusive occupancy of the rental unit, subject only to the landlord's right to enter the rental unit under certain conditions;
- Access the rental unit without restriction by the landlord;
- Privacy and freedom from unreasonable disturbance.

Something to think about…

Raise concerns to the housing authority about health and safety issues in your home.

Contact your local housing authority for more information