VERMONT RENTER RESOURCES

Tenant rights, responsibilities, protections, support organizations, and data sources

= Interpretation services available = Translated information available



COVID-RELATED HOUSING SUPPORT + INFO

The State of Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development posts updated information about covid-related housing assistance programs here: https://accd.vermont.gov/covid-1

Vermont Legal Aid Coronavirus Updates (eviction moratorium info, housing, landlord access, and more): https://vtlawhelp.org/coronavirus-updates





URGENT SUPPORT

If you need temporary emergency shelter, call VT Economic Services at 1-800-479-6151 or visit an ESD District Office 7:45am-4:30pm, M-F (shelter is dependent on eligibility and available space) Office list at https://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/contact-us/districts

For housing, shelter, or other resources and services after hours or on the weekend, call the 24-hour hotline **Vermont 211** by dialing 2-1-1 or go to https://vermont211.org



If you are facing eviction, call Vermont Legal Aid at 1-800-889-2047 or go to https://vtlawhelp.org/vlh-intake 📆



If you are falling behind on your rent or need other housing supports, contact your regional **Community Action Agency:** https://vermontcap.org/

- BROC Community Action in Southwestern Vermont: (802) 775-0878, 1-800-717-2762
- Capstone Community Action (Central Vermont): (802) 479-1053, 1-800-639-1053
- Addison Community Action (CVOEO): (802) 388-2285
- Chittenden Community Action (CVOEO): (802) 863-6248
- Franklin / Grand Isle Community Action (CVOEO): (802) 527-7392
- Northeast Kingdom Community Action (NEKCA): (802) 334-7316
- Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA): (802) 722-4575 or 1-800-464-9951

If you are homeless, contact your regional **Coordinated Entry** agency to get connected to a Housing Navigator or call 2-1-1. https://helpingtohousevt.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Vermont-Coordinated-Entry-Contact-List-7.12.2020.pdf

ENANT RIGHTS + RESPONSIBILITIES



Know your rights! Find information about discrimination, leases and rental agreements, security deposits, subletting, termination of tenancy, evictions, landlord access, court process, sample letters, and more:

• CVOEO Vermont Tenants Online Resources: www.cvoeo.org/vermont-tenants



- Vermont Legal Aid / Legal Services Vermont Online Resources: https://vtlawhelp.org

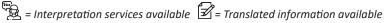
- **Legal Help Tool:** https://vtlawhelp.org/triage/vt_triage
- Protections for victims of abuse, sexual assault, or stalking: https://vtlawhelp.org/housing-protections-victims



HAVE QUESTIONS?

- CVOEO Vermont Tenant Hotline for free information and referral services: (802) 864-0099
- CVOEO Mobile Home Program for information, referrals, and organizing support and (802) 660-3455 ext. 204
- Vermont Landlord Association for resources, property listings, and support for landlords: (802) 985-2764

VERMONT RENTER + HOUSING RESOURCES





FAIR HOUSING

Fair housing is the right to equal opportunity in housing choice and the right to rent, buy, or finance housing free from discrimination. The Federal Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability. VT has additional protections for sexual orientation, gender identity, age, marital status, receipt of public assistance, and victims of abuse, sexual assault, or stalking.

Learn more about fair housing in Vermont, get referrals, and schedule trainings:

• CVOEO Fair Housing Project: www.cvoeo.org/fhp, (802) 660-3456 x 106



File a fair housing complaint, learn about your rights, conciliation/mediation, legal services, and more: 🙀 🗐





- Vermont Human Rights Commission: https://hrc.vermont.gov, 1-800-416-2010
- Vermont Legal Aid / Legal Services VT: https://vtlawhelp.org, 1-800-889-2047
- U.S. Attorney's Office, District of VT: https://www.justice.gov/usao-vt/civil-division, usavt.ContactUs1@usdoj.gov



FINDING HOUSING: WORKSHOPS + LISTS

CVOEO offers free workshops on Tenant Skills and Finding Housing as well as the Rent Right program, which is designed for first-time renters and those who are precariously housed or with a history of homelessness. The Rent Right curriculum covers tenant rights and responsibilities, fair housing and disability law, finding housing, saving, establishing and repairing credit, budgeting, and planning. Upon completion, participants receive a Preferred Renter Certificate. For more info, call (802) 660-3455 ext. 205 or go to www.cvoeo.org/vtt.



- Directory of affordable housing properties in Vermont: www.housingdata.org/find-rental-housing
- List of organizations around the state that develop or rent affordable housing: http://www.vtaffordablehousing.org/if-you-need-housing/

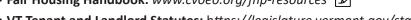


RESOURCES + GUIDES

• Illustrated Guide to Vermont Renter's Rights: www.cvoeo.org/fileLibrary/file_302.pdf



- The Definitive Guide to Renting in Vermont: www.cvoeo.org/fileLibrary/file 212.pdf
- Fair Housing Handbook: www.cvoeo.org/fhp-resources



- VT Tenant and Landlord Statutes: https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/chapter/09/137
- VT Rental Housing Health Code: www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/REG_Rental_Housing_Code.pdf
- Vermont Judiciary Landlord and Tenant Resources: www.vermontjudiciary.org/civil/landlord-tenant





COMMUNITY HOUSING DATA

- Vermont Housing Data (community profiles and town/county/state data on population, household, income, employment, homeownership, rental housing, housing needs, and more): https://www.housingdata.org/
- Vermont 2020-2025 Housing Needs Assessment (includes fact sheets on demographics, housing stock, race, homelessness, and more): https://accd.vermont.gov/housing/plans-data-rules/needs-assessment
- Vermont State data Center: https://www.uvm.edu/crs/vtsdc



This resource list was developed by the CVOEO Fair Housing Project and its partners. A Burlington-specific resource list is avilable at https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/Housing/Renter-Resources. If you have questions or comments, please contact us at at fhp@cvoeo.org or (802) 660-3456 x 106.

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