Renter Resources

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To help you learn about and exercise your rights as a renter, the Northside Home Fund partners would like to provide you with the following information.

- **Office of the Attorney General – Consumer Protection Division**

  Landlords and Tenants: Rights and Responsibilities
  http://www.ag.state.mn.us/consumer/housing/lt/default.htm

  As a rental property tenant you have certain rights and responsibilities. This document published by the Office of the Attorney General summarizes the legal rights and responsibilities of renters and landlords by examining the three main stages of tenancy and common issues that arise during each of them.

  The first stage is "Entering into the Agreement" and topics include; inspecting the unit before signing a lease, security deposits, the lease, disclosure to the tenant, utilities, and maintenance among others. The second stage is "During the Tenancy" and topics include; rent, tenant's right to privacy, and repair problems among others. The third stage is "Ending the Tenancy" and topics include; proper notice, and refund of the security deposit among others.

  The document also provides additional information on other important rental housing laws such as housing courts, utility shut-offs, the Cold Weather Rule, tenant's right to a tax credit, as well as, a resource directory.

- **The City of Minneapolis**

  The City of Minneapolis also provides additional resources and information for renters on their website. This information can be accessed at http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/community/ under the heading Homeowners, Renters & Landlords.

- **Neighborhood Organizations**

  Neighborhood organizations are another good resource for renters looking for assistance with rental questions or concerns. Please reference the Neighborhood Organization Contact list in the Neighborhood Programs and Resources section of this packet for contact information.

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