## **Eviction Moratorium Guide**



On April 16, 2020, the Multnomah County Commissioners voted to continue supporting residential tenants during the COVID-19 pandemic by aligning County policy with Oregon's statewide eviction moratorium (Executive Order 20-13) and establishing a six-month repayment grace period.

## Here's what that means for residential tenants in Multnomah County:



- The moratorium protects any Multnomah County resident unable to pay rent from being evicted during the County's state of emergency.
- It does not protect residential tenants evicted for any other lawful purpose.



- Residential tenants in Multnomah County will still have a **six-month repayment grace period** after the emergency declaration ends.
- If you are able to pay rent when it's due, you should pay your rent.



- Tell your landlord you can't pay as soon as you reasonably can.
- You do not have to tell your landlord on or before the first of the month. This will apply retroactively to any rent that was due in April.



- You **do not have to provide proof** of your income loss to your landlord.
- Save all documentation, however, so you can qualify for any possible state or federal rent assistance programs.



- Seek legal advice or support from community resources like the Community Alliance of Tenants or Legal Aid Services of Oregon if your landlord threatens to evict you, applies late fees, or you need more guidance.
- Landlords and their residential tenants can enter into payment plans if both parties are willing. There is no legal requirement to enter into a payment plan.

Learn more at <u>multco.us/covid-eviction</u>.

