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## Housing Stabilization Program

Goal: To secure stable housing opportunities for families in local shelters and transitional housing programs, and to stabilize tenancy for low-income families throughout Washington County by working in partnership with landlords and property managers.

## The Housing Stabilization Program Offers Landlords: (Services are voluntary, individualized, and free of charge)

- ⇒ Prospective tenants who have received education and training on tenant responsibilities, apartment upkeep, household safety, and budgeting through the Housing Stabilization Program's Tenant Education classes.
- ⇒ Prospective tenants screened for motivation, housing readiness, and commitment to working closely with program staff. \*\*
- ⇒ Ongoing assistance and support to landlords to help them in their work of maintaining stable housing for their tenants.
- ⇒ Mediation services for disputes (landlord-tenant or tenant-tenant) to assist landlords in preventing and/or avoiding evictions.
- ⇒ Information, referral and access to services provided by local community agencies and human service programs to increase tenant stability.
- ⇒ Information on Landlord-Tenant Law and Fair Housing and opportunities for landlords to participate in related workshops.
- ⇒ Information and referral to programs & organizations (Housing associations & manager groups, screening services, energy conservation, etc.) who provide services for landlords and property managers.

## To obtain further information please call 693-3223

\*\* Tenant participants referred to program through Community Action Organization services, local shelters and transitional housing projects, and the SAFAH Self-Sufficiency Program.