## **About**Our Organization

The Coalition for the Homeless has been the lead advocate for Louisville's homeless since 1986, when we were founded as a community response to the growing issue of homelessness.

## **Contact Us**

Phone: (502) 636-9550

Reserve a Bed: (502) 637-BEDS Website: www.louhomeless.org

Address: 1300 S 4th St. #250

Louisville, KY 40208

## How to End Your Lease

#### **Ending a Monthly Lease**

Send your landlord a written notice of at least 30 days stating that you are terminating the lease.

#### **Ending a Weekly Lease**

Send your landlord a written notice that says you are terminating the lease at least 7 days before rent is due.

#### **Ending a Fix-term Lease**

Your lease will provide specific information about ending your lease. There is a chance you can be penalized for ending your lease. After you term is completed, and your lease is not renewed, your lease becomes a month-to-month lease.

# More Resource

If you or someone you know requires help with an eviction, contact Legal Aid Society (LAS) at (502) 584-1254

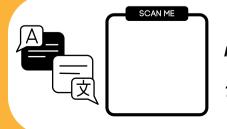
Legal Aid Society offers FREE legal services to individuals and families who income qualify.

While this brochure doesn't cover everything, it can help you find out what can become a problem for you later. For more information on how to protect yourself as a renter, scan the QR code below to check out the "Tenants's Rights Manual"

Scan Here for Tenant's
Rights Manual!







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## Tenant's Steps for Moving Out



## **Steps for Moving Out**

- 1. **READ** your lease to make sure you are properly following the terms of your agreement.
- 2. Create an itemized **LIST** of what all needs to be completed for moving out.
- 3. Give proper NOTICE\* to your landlord.
- 4. Properly **CLEAN** the property.
- 5. Take **PICTURES** of the property.
- 6. Complete a WALK THROUGH of the property with the property manager after everything is out.
- 7. Turn in your **KEYS**.
- 8. Once your keys are turned in, you no longer have POSSESSION of the property.



## **Things to Check!**

- Floors
- Walls/Paint
- Countertops
- Windows
- Bathtub/Shower Doors
- Appliances
- Outdoor spaces (if applicable)
- Ceiling fans

### Damage vs Wear & Tear

Landlords can not deduct from the security deposit to repair normal wear and tear to the property. Wear & tear is **EXPECTED**, **UNAVIODABLE** deterioration that occurs to a property over time.



## <u>Damage</u>

- Burned/Stained Carpet
- Holes in Walls/Doors
- Broken **Appliances**
- Broken Windows/Missing Screens
- Broken Tiles
- Unapproved Paint Jobs
- Broken Cabinet Doors

## Wear & Tear

- Small Scratches on the floor
- Worn/Faded Carpet
- Sun-faded blinds
- Loose Doorknobs
- Fading/Peeling Paint
- Dirty Grout
- Slightly Worn Cabinet Hinges

## **Before moving** out both YOU and YOUR LANDLORD need to inspect!

- Carefully WALK THROUGH the property with your landlord before you move out.
- If you are not allowed to inspect, or your landlord does not inspect, your landlord CAN'T keep your security deposit.
- If there are damages beyond ordinary wear and tear, your landlord must give you an itemized estimate of the cost of repairs **BEFORE** they are billed to you.

\*It is best to send any notices to your landlord via certified mail to ensure if/when they received the notice.

\*More specific information on ending your lease early should be stated in your lease. If you end your lease early you may be liable for damages for unpaid rent.