



Eviction moratorium to end July 31

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The Dayton Human Relations Council (HRC) wishes to inform the community that the national eviction moratorium will end July 31, 2021.

On September 4, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an eviction moratorium to help stop the spread of COVID-19. During the pandemic, the CDC extended the eviction moratorium on several occasions to assist renters. The latest CDC action extended the moratorium until July 31, 2021, but no further extension is anticipated. As a result, HRC and other organizations throughout the community anticipate an increase in both formal and informal complaints regarding evictions.

If discrimination is alleged because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, familial status or disability, and the act occurred in the city of Dayton, HRC will process, investigate, and resolve the related complaint. If discrimination occurs outside of the city of Dayton, HRC will refer complaints to the Ohio Civil Rights Commission

If the issue is not discriminatory but rather a general landlord/tenant dispute, HRC will issue referrals to the Community Action Partnership, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, and the Dayton Mediation Center.

Although HRC does not represent community members, it is committed to ensuring that housing providers do not discriminate in evictions when the eviction moratorium expires. To that end, the HRC will strenuously enforce Sec. 32.05 of the Dayton Revised Code of General Ordinances.

"HRC will continue to take complaints and process them to determine if they are discriminatory or landlord/tenant in nature. We want to ensure that Dayton remains fair and welcoming for all," said Erica Fields, HRC executive director.

For more information or questions, call the Human Relations Council at 937-333-1437.

Established in 1962 by the Dayton City Commission, the Dayton Human Relations Council works to influence and ensure a culture of fair treatment, inclusion, and equal access to opportunities for all who live, work, play, and gather in the city of Dayton. The Council provides civil rights enforcement; builds the capacity of minority-owned, woman-owned and small disadvantaged businesses; and administers community relations initiatives.

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