

ATTENTION OREGON TENANTS!

You Have The Right To Stay In Your Home!

- Under the **Protecting Tenants at Foreclosure Act**, you can remain in your rental home through the end of your lease
- If you don't have a written lease, the new owner must give you at least **90 days'** notice before you have to leave
- **Oregon residents have even more rights!**

Signs your Landlord May Be Going through Foreclosure:

- You have received a notice from a **court, law firm, bank, or real estate agent**
- Someone has offered you **money for your keys**
- A **realtor** has come to your home

IS YOUR LANDLORD GOING THROUGH FORECLOSURE?

How do I find out if my Landlord is in Foreclosure?

- **Read** any notices that appear on your door
- **Call** your landlord and ask
- **Go** to your **County Assessor's** office and search public records for the property. (www.oregon.gov/DOR/PTD/County.shtml)

What about my Security Deposit?

If your landlord is in foreclosure:

- You have a **right** to get your security deposit back.
- You can use your security deposit to **pay future or current rent owed** if you tell your landlord **in writing**.

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This fact sheet provides general information on the rights of tenants and is not legal advice. Every case is different and laws frequently change. This fact sheet concerns only Oregon and federal law and may not be valid in other states. For more information, please contact the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, Phone: (202) 638-2535, <http://www.nlchp.org/>. Updated November 2011.

STEP 1: Get FREE Legal Help

Community Alliance of Tenants

www.oregoncat.org

Renter's rights hotline: 503-288-0130

Legal Aid Services of Oregon

www.oregonlawhelp.org

National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty

www.nlchp.org

STEP 2: Know your Rental Obligations

- You still **must pay rent!**
- If your **original landlord** still owns the property but is going through foreclosure, you can use your security deposit to pay rent.
 - Once there is a **new owner**, you must pay your rent to him. You **cannot** use the security deposit to pay rent to the new owner.

WHAT DO I DO NOW?

STEP 3: Identify the Trustee:

- The **trustee** oversees the sale of a foreclosed home.
- **Look** on any notices you have received for the trustee (usually a **bank** or **real estate office**)

STEP 4: Send a copy of your rental agreement to the trustee

- **Send** proof of your rental agreement (a copy of your lease, a copy of rent checks, or rent receipts) to the trustee
- Sending proof that you are a renter will give you **more rights** under Oregon law