



City of Springfield Fair Housing  
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**February 2019**

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Sign up for fair housing emails and/or email your questions!

# Landlord/Tenant Booklet

**Free Tenant Education Seminar**  
**February 28, 1:30-3:30 at**  
**Cole Manor, 315. S. Burnett Rd.**



The City of Springfield has an online Landlord-Tenant booklet that answers many questions about landlord-tenant issues, Print copies are also available. When renting an apartment, landlords are required to either give a tenant a copy of this booklet or direct them to the online resource and have their tenant sign they've received the information. In the back of the book are sample letters tenants may use to request their security deposit back when moving out, protest retaliation or non-acceptance of rent and ask landlord to make repairs. Check out this resource online at: [springfieldohio.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Tenants\\_Rights\\_and\\_Responsibilities\\_E.pdf](http://springfieldohio.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Tenants_Rights_and_Responsibilities_E.pdf). Call (937) 324-7696 for more information.

## Fair HOUSING

**Equal Housing Opportunity. Fair Housing Seminar-April 23**

In Ohio, the fair housing laws your right to not face discrimination on the basis of **race, color, national origin, religion, familial status, handicap status, military status or ancestry** in any aspect of renting housing, purchasing a housing and getting housing loans. If you are having problems, call us and we will help you try to resolve the problem or help you file a fair housing complaint. You are also protected on the basis of **sexual orientation** in the City of Springfield. Our annual three hour Fair Housing Seminar will be April 23 at 8:30 a.m. including breakfast for \$20. **Call (937) 324-7696 for more information.**

## Mediation



**Springfield Mediation Service: A Peaceful Alternative**

Have you ever tried Mediation? Mediation is a way to talk out a conflict in a peaceful environment. The mediator gives you a peaceful space to talk and listen. Try using communication to find a win-win solution to your problem through mediation. **Free services available to City of Springfield residents.** Mediation for: landlord-tenant disputes and neighbor disputes. Facilitation and strategic planning for community groups. **NEWSFLASH:** If you would like to learn to mediate, contact us! We will be having training sometime in 2019.

**Call the Springfield Mediation Service for peacemaking advice, facilitation, conciliation services and mediation to talk through possible solutions at (937) 324-7696.**

## Global Education

**Practicing Kindness in Changing Times**

[Springfieldohio.gov/global-education/](http://Springfieldohio.gov/global-education/)



February 14, 6:30 p.m.—Practicing Kindness with Ourselves from the Chinese Tradition: Tai Chi with Shih-ming Chang and Jennifer Oldstone-Moore, 105 Shouvin Center at Wittenberg University, 737 N. Fountain Av.  
March 14, 6:30 p.m. “The Sultan and the Saint” at St. Teresa’s Catholic Church, 1827 N. Limestone St.

## CultureFest 2019

[springfieldohio.gov/culturefest](http://springfieldohio.gov/culturefest)

**CultureFest 2019—September 28**  
**Music, Dance, Food, Fun**

## Phone Directory

City Fair Housing/Mediation	(937) 324-7696
City Minority Business Office	(937) 324-7379
City Code Enforcement	(937) 324-7385
Housing Rehab	(937) 324-7385
City Community Development	(937) 324-7380