# Housing Stabilization

## **Housing Help Follow Up**

#### **How Follow-up Helps Landlords Prevent Evictions**

Housing Stabilization Work is a key tool in maintaining tenancies. There are various factors landlords should keep in mind after the tenant moves in to help ensure that tenants stay housed. More housing stabilization resources can be found on <a href="http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/">http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/</a>

### Why is Housing Stabilization important?

When solid professional working relationships are established between landlords and housing help services, housing is stabilized, evictions are prevented and homelessness is reduced. For landlords, building good working relationships with housing professionals is key to keeping tenancies strong. Follow-up support helps keep the lines of communication between landlord and tenant open, which helps ensure that issues are addressed before they become basis for eviction.

#### What is "Housing Stabilization"?

For a landlord, Housing Help Housing Stabilization work includes:

- Clear communication between the tenant, landlord and housing professional about each person's role in maintaining the tenancy.
- Housing Agency Contact information should be given to the client and landlord so that there is support available should a tenant develop rental arrears and need help to access all income support entitlements, or a landlord is concerned that a tenant may need community services to keep their housing.
- Tenancy Support is available through the referring housing professional, the closest Housing Help Centre to the tenant or through Landlordconnect.ca.

#### **Active Eviction Prevention**

Landlords should contact the referring housing worker, the closest Housing Help Centre, or <a href="http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/">http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/</a> as soon as issues with a tenant start to develop.

Legal information and resources are also available to landlords through the "Resources" section on <a href="http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/">http://eyetfrp.ca/housing/</a>

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