# **Grassroots Support**

The Tenants Union is sustained in great part through the generosity of members and supporters who value the work of the TU.

## Join the Movement for Housing Justice

Members are the heart and strength of the TU'S work for housing justice. You are invited to become a part of the legacy for tenants' rights victories as a member of the Tenants Union of Washington State. Join us today!

Membership Dues are sliding scale, with a suggested donation of \$1 for every thousand dollars of annual income (\$15,000/year of household income = 15/year dues). Monthly Donations of \$1 to \$100 or more provide an easy way to offer sustaining ongoing support.

Major Gifts are a vital part of the Tenants Union's grassroots financial support. The TU is supported by a dedicated core of major donors who give \$100, \$1000, or beyond.

"The TU is a powerful political voice for renters." -- Seattle City Councilmember Nick Licata

### <u>TU MISSION</u>

The mission of the Tenants Union (TU) is to create housing justice through empowermentbased education, leadership development, outreach, organizing, and advocacy. Founded in 1977, the TU carries on a proud legacy of work to create concrete improvements in tenants' living conditions and challenge and transform unjust housing policies and practices. As a membership organization, the TU's work is grounded in the strong conviction that tenants must be the leaders of efforts to transform our housing conditions and communities. The TU embraces the values of equality, hope, tenant leadership, respect, direct action, civic courage, racial and economic justice, and self-determination.

#### **Tenants Rights Hotline** (206) 723-0500

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday from 10am-12:30pm and 1:30pm-4pm

#### In-Person Clinic: **Monday & Tuesday**

Seattle Branch - Columbia City location from 1:30pm-4pm

#### **Every 3rd Thursday of the month**

Spokane Branch - Martin Luther King, Jr. Center located at 845 S. Sherman from 12pm-4pm

See www. tenantsunion.org for more details



# **TENANTS UNION**

Of Washington State



Tenants organizing for safe, healthy, and affordable housing for all since 1977



# The Tenants Union of Washington challenges and transforms unjust housing conditions and policies throughout Washington State

## Tenant Ownership

Tenant ownership prevents displacement and creates dignified, healthy, and affordable housing, and provides tenants control over community resources.

# Healthy Housing

Tenants work together in Healthy Housing organizing to win concrete inprovements in living conditions, particularly in communities most likely to be impacted by health and safety concerns or most at risk of housing loss.

### Become a member of the Tenants Union today!

Join online or find out more at:

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Mail in your contact info and dues to Tenants Union of Washington State

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# Education

The TU provides empowerment-based multilingual education and assistance to help tenants learn their rights and take action to resolve housing problems. Trained nonationacy Tenant Counselors offer free phone and in-person tenant counseling services to assist people with questions about landlordtenant laws and discuss strategies to prevent tenant laws and discuss strategies to prevent housing loss.



"The Tenants Union opened the door to the information, the help, and the support my continuity needs. I would never have believed my story could do so much to help other with the TU, educating myself to help my family, I IU, educating myself to help my family, I in the story community."

- TU Board Member, Florencia Ybarra

# <u>Organizing</u>

The TU organizes and wins grassroots campaigns to improve housing conditions, fight housing discrimination, expand affordable housing, and improve housing policies.

## Housing Access Project (HAP)

HAP tenants work to increase access and undo institutional barriers to decent, affordable housing for communities criminalized, marginalized, and segregated by commercial and judicial systems.

## Section 8 Tenants Organizing Project (STOP)

Founded in 1996, STOP is a group of tenants and supporters working to preserve and improve Section 8 housing and give tenants a voice in decisions that affect their housing stability.

# Anti-Displacement

Renters Strike Back, the TU's antidisplacement campaign, focuses on the ever increasing rents and speculative development in the Greater Seattle Area.