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

TU MISSION

The mission of the Tenants Union (TU) is to create housing justice through empowerment-based 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 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.

Organizing

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

Education

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

Healthy Housing

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

Tenant Ownership

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

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Anti-Displacement

Renters Strike Back, the TU’s anti-displacement campaign, focuses on the ever increasing rents and speculative development in the Greater Seattle Area.

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The Tenants Union opened the door to the information, the help, and the support my community needs. I would never have believed my story could do so much to help other people. When I work together with the TU, educating myself to help my family, I know I have the power and I am not afraid to stand up for my community.

-Florencia Ybarra, TU Board Member