



Minneapolis Eviction Prevention Guide

for renters and
advocates



Housing Justice League

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reference only and should not be considered legal advice.*



Seven steps of eviction for nonpayment of rent

There's still time to get
help, pay rent, and
avoid eviction!



Missed rent



Pre- eviction notice



Eviction filing



Summons



Hearing



Court order to vacate



Eviction



Missed rent

If you're a Minneapolis renter and you miss a rent payment, there is still time to avoid eviction.



Pre- eviction notice

Your landlord must give you a written 30-day pre- eviction notice.

Stage 1: Resourcing

What you can do:

- check that the pre- eviction notice is complete
- seek rental assistance funds
- connect with community support
- find housing/ shelter resources in case of eviction
- pay rent in full or negotiate a payment plan
- break lease and move out (not ideal; still liable to pay rent owed)





Once the landlord files an eviction with the court, it may take 7+ days to get a summons to appear in court, and then 7-30+ days for your court hearing.

Stage 2: Resourcing + Accompaniment

What you can do:

- request county rental assistance
- pay rent/ negotiate payment plan on or before the day of your hearing, if possible
- get legal support
- learn what to expect in court
- request a virtual hearing
- attend your hearing (a court will always side with the landlord if you don't go)
- advocate for expungement of the eviction from your record
- petition to contest the finding





Court order to vacate



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If the court sides with the landlord, the judge will issue a **Writ of Recovery** that allows the sheriff to evict you (physically remove you and your property from your home).

Stage 3: Navigating displacement

What you can do:

- turn to friends, family, community, or local shelter resources (see next slides for more resources)





Know Your Rights



Virtual hearing

You can request a virtual hearing, but it may not be granted.

Virtual hearings are recommended for immigrants concerned with ICE presence at the courthouse.



Organizing

Take action with your neighbors to demand safe and fair housing.

You have the right to organize!

Learn more: [thealliancet.org/
equity-in-place/
righttoorganize](https://thealliancet.org/equity-in-place/righttoorganize)



Expungement

Expungement removes and eviction from your public record. Always advocate for expungement in a settlement agreement. Filing afterwards can cost over \$300.





Legal Resources



HOME Line

612-728-5767

free and low-cost legal, organizing, education, and advocacy services
homelinemn.org



Hennepin County Adult Representation Services

612-348-7012

contactARS@hennepin.us
[hennepincounty.gov/
adult-representation-services](http://hennepincounty.gov/adult-representation-services)



Mid MN Legal Aid

1-877-696-6529

mylegalaid.org



Volunteer Lawyers Network

612-752-6677

vlnmn.org





Rental Assistance



**Comunidades Organizando el Poder
y la Acción Latina (COPAL)**

612-255-3112

English, Spanish



**Comunidades Latinas Unidas en
Servicio (CLUES)**

651-243-0688

English, Spanish



Isuroon

612-389-0679

*English, Arabic, French,
Pashto/Dari, Somali*



**Minnesota Indian Women's
Resource Center (MIWRC)**

612-728-2000

English, Ojibwe



Tenant Resource Connections

612-767-9737

*English, Spanish, Somali,
French, Russian*

More at thealliancetc.org/hjl/mplsevictionhelp





Shelter + Housing



Hennepin County

Shelter Hotline

612-204-8200

Tenant Resource Connection

612-767-9737

Waypoint

<https://gis.hennepin.us/waypoint>



Housing Link

HousingLink.org



Housing Help

mnhousing.gov/home/housing-help



United Way 211

Call 211 or 651-291-0211

or text zip code to 898-211

Free, confidential, many languages spoken, 24/7

More at thealliancetc.org/hjl/mplsevicthionhelp



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