

Rental Housing and COVID-19: Resources for Tenants and Housing Providers

Community Protection Division

Boulder County District Attorney's Office



What's in Place:

The State of Colorado has ordered that all residential evictions should be limited to those necessary to protect public health and safety.

(Executive Order D 2020 012, March 10, 2020)



The order limits evictions and disconnections of public utility services until April 30, 2020.



The order directs law enforcement agencies to suspend residential eviction activities, unless the eviction is necessary to protect public health and safety.



The order directs state agencies to work with property owners to exempt tenants from fees on non-payment or late payment of rent.



Boulder County District Courts have deprioritized and postponed routine evictions for non-payment of rent until after May 31, 2020.

- Landlords, owners of manufactured housing parks and other housing providers cannot begin eviction proceedings until after May 31.
- Nothing in the state order relieves tenants from their obligation to pay rent that accrues during this time.



If a landlord or other housing provider repeatedly threatens eviction or attempts to evict while the state order is in place, the tenant should contact local law enforcement and the District Attorney's Office

What We Can All Do:

Circumstances presented by the COVID-19 pandemic require flexibility, communication and compromise.

- Tenant and landlord community members should communicate early and often about financial realities and workable arrangements.
- All community members should respect current public safety measures and rights afforded to all:
 - **Stay-at-home** restrictions are in place for all Coloradans; those experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 must self-isolate.
 - All community members **are protected** from illegal discrimination in housing and **are entitled** to privacy regarding their medical information.



Local Help Is Available:

Boulder County has information on its website for those affected by COVID-19, including a list of resources providing emergency rental assistance:

www.bouldercounty.org/families/disease/covid-19/covid-19-resources/#housing

Local agencies can answer questions and offer support and mediation to tenants and housing providers:

City of Boulder Community Mediation Service

303-441-4364

www.bouldercolorado.gov/community-relations/mediation-program



City of Longmont Office of Community and Neighborhood Resources/Mediation

303-651-8444

www.longmontcolorado.gov/home/showdocument?id=30587

Attorney guidance is available:

Boulder County Legal Services assists low-income community members and older adults: 303-449-7575

CU Boulder Student Legal Services assists CU students: 303-492-6813; www.colorado.edu/studentlegal/

The Boulder County Bar Association has a directory of local legal resources: www.boulder-bar.org/legal-resources

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