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CRIME FREE RENTAL PROPERTIES

Worried about crime in your rental unit? Not sure how to deal with current issues or prevent future problems? Come to our two-day training and learn what you can do to keep your units safe and desirable for tenants. Topics include:

Drug Unit Presentation	Human Trafficking	COPS and SCOPE
Gang Unit Presentation	Fair Housing Rights	Working with the police
Domoestic Violence	Legal Evictions	Landlord/Tenant Laws
Crime Victim Advocacy	Fire Safety	Crime Prevention

March 19 & 26
8:30-5pm
806 W Knox Ave
Cost: \$50



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Spokane's Approach to the Crime Free Rental Property Program

The purpose of our Crime Free Rental Property Program is to assist landlords in developing effective partnerships in a neighborhood environment, and fostering a safe, healthy, family-oriented place to live. Our Crime Free Rental Property Program (CFRP) is for anyone that owns or manages multiple single-family homes or buildings with 2 or more units. The program offers:

- structured and common rules of compliance
- a communication network
- a valuable marketing tool for property owners

We are encouraging all responsible landlords who desire a crime-free environment to take part in this program. In addition, the CFRP program is designed to prevent tenants from abusing rental housing and disrupting neighborhoods in Spokane.

Our purpose in training landlords and tenants is to help you develop more effective partners in our effort to keep our neighborhoods safe – free from chronic drug dealing and illegal activity. Landlords want to provide a clean, safe place to live. Most tenants want to be good neighbors and citizens. The premise of this program can bring about a better partnership between local government and community, and ultimately produce safer, more stable neighborhoods. Drug abuse, antisocial behavior, defacing and destruction of property, theft and acts of violence are all symptoms of non-functional, deteriorating neighborhoods. The Spokane Crime Free Rental Property Program can be the vehicle for citizens working toward an improved quality of life.

How the Program Works

Originally developed for the City of Portland, Oregon in 1989, and later adapted by the Mesa, Arizona Police Department, this program has a proven track record. Personnel from Spokane C.O.P.S., Spokane Police Department, Spokane County Sheriff, Spokane Fire Department, various city and public services, and active members of The Crime Free Rental Property program have teamed up to tailor this innovative program for the citizens of Spokane and to assist in training.

This program calls on owners/managers to make creative steps toward providing a clean and safe environment for citizens of Spokane. The program uses a 4-level approach to eliminate crime in single and multi-family communities, to reduce calls for police service and to foster a clean, healthier, more stable living environment.

1. A comprehensive training program for property owners/managers
2. CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) security requirements for participating properties
3. Meetings with residents (minimum of 2 meetings per year)
4. Designation of a manager/resident liaison to the nearest C.O.P.S. or S.C.O.P.E. Substation

Who Benefits from The Crime Free Rental Property program?

Most owners/managers want to rent to non-disruptive tenants. Further, renting to criminals can lead to dramatic declines in property values, severe property damage, drug raids, toxic contamination from drug labs and loss of rent during evictions and repairs and ultimately animosity between residents and owners/managers and the community at large. In contrast, participating owners/ managers reap numerous benefits from this program. Benefits may include:

- A stabilized, more satisfied tenant base, with increased demand for rentals.
- Improved property values, lower maintenance and repair costs.
- Improved level of personal safety for both tenants and neighbors.
- Peace of mind from spending less time on crisis control.