

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES RENTER PROTECTIONS NOTICE

This notice is provided in compliance with Ordinance No.187737, that requires landlords of residential properties to provide a summary of renters' rights for tenancies that commenced or were renewed on or after January 27, 2023. This notice must also be posted in an accessible common area of the property. For more information, visit [housing.lacity.org](http://housing.lacity.org) or call **(866) 557-7368 (RENT)**.

## RENTER PROTECTIONS APPLY TO ALL RESIDENTIAL RENTAL UNITS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

### NON-PAYMENT OF RENT

- Tenants must pay their full monthly rent beginning February 1, 2023. However, low-income renters who cannot pay rent due to COVID-19 financial impact continue to have protections through March 31, 2023. Renters must notify their landlord within 7 days of the date the rent is due and provide proof of income level. Eligible tenants will then have until March 31, 2024, to repay their unpaid rent for February and/or March 2023.

### AT-FAULT EVICTIONS

- Effective January 27, 2023, all renters in the City of Los Angeles have eviction protections, which means that landlords must provide a legal reason for eviction. Tenants in rental units not subject to the City's Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) are protected at the end of their first lease, or 6 months after the commencement of their initial lease, whichever comes first.
- Allowable at-fault eviction reasons include non-payment of rent; violation of a lease/rental agreement; causing or permitting a nuisance; using the unit for an illegal purpose such as drugs & gangs; failure to renew a similar lease; denial of access into the rental unit; being an unapproved subtenant at the end of the tenancy; and failure to comply with an approved Tenant Habitability Plan (THP).
- Eviction protections for unauthorized pets and additional tenants due to COVID-19 continue through **January 31, 2024**.

### NO-FAULT EVICTIONS

- No-fault eviction reasons include: for occupancy by the owner, family member or a resident manager; compliance with a government order; demolition or permanent removal from the rental housing market; or to convert the property to affordable housing.
- Landlords are required to submit a Declaration of Intent to Evict to LAHD for all no-fault evictions for all rental units, submit required fees, and pay the tenant relocation assistance.

### RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

- Relocation Assistance is required for tenant no-fault evictions for all residential units.
- Relocation assistance for tenants who rent a Single Family Dwelling (SFD) is one month's rent if the landlord is a natural person who owns no more than 4 residential units and a SFD on a separate lot.
- A landlord can deduct a tenant's unpaid rental debt from the relocation assistance payment.

Relocation Assistance from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.					
Tenant Type	Tenants with Less Than 3 Years	Tenants with 3 or More Years	Income Below 80% of Area Median Income (Regardless of Length of Tenancy)	Mom & Pop Amount (Only for Landlord, Family, Resident Manager Occupancy)	Single Family Dwelling owned by natural persons
Eligible Tenant	\$9,200	\$12,050	\$12,050	\$8,850	One month's rent
Qualified Tenant	\$19,400	\$22,950	\$22,950	\$17,850	

### RENT INCREASES UNDER THE RSO

- Landlords of RSO properties can resume annual allowable rent increases effective February 1, 2024. No banking or retroactive rent increases are allowed.
- Beginning April 1, 2023, landlords may collect new LAHD approved cost recovery surcharges, provided a 30 day written notice is served to the tenant.

### RENT INCREASES UNDER THE STATE LAW

Some non-RSO rental units are subject to State law AB1482, which applies to properties built more than 15 years ago. The maximum rent increase is 10% for rent increases effective 8/1/2022 to 7/31/2023.

To find out if your unit is subject to the RSO or AB1482, visit [zimas.lacity.org](http://zimas.lacity.org). Enter your address, click the Housing tab, and the RSO & AB1482 status will be indicated for the property.

### **COVID-19 RENTAL DEBT**

Unpaid rent due to COVID-19 financial impact must be repaid by the following dates:

- Rent owed from March 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021 is due by August 1, 2023.
- Rent owed from October 1, 2021 to January 31, 2023 is due by February 1, 2024.

### **STATE LAW EVICTION PROTECTION (CONSUMER DEBT)**

A tenant cannot be evicted for non-payment of rent if the tenant did the following:

- Provided the landlord with a COVID-19 Related Declaration of Financial Distress within 15 days of the rent due date, for rent owed from March 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020. This rent is Consumer Debt for which the tenant cannot be evicted.
- Provided the landlord with a COVID-19 Related Declaration of Financial Distress within 15 days of the rent due date, for rent owed from September 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, AND paid 25% of their rent. This rent is Consumer Debt for which the tenant cannot be evicted.
- Tenants that followed the above cannot be evicted; however, a landlord can recover the rental debt in small claims court.

CITY OF LOS ANGELES EVICTION DEFENSE PROGRAM




**Owe Rent? Eviction Notice?**  
**Stay Housed LA**  
**You Have Rights!**  
stayhousedla.org 1-888-694-0040

### **NOTICE TO TERMINATE TENANCY (EVICTION FILING)**

Effective January, 27, 2023, any written notice terminating a tenancy must be filed with LAHD within three (3) business days of service on the tenant per Los Angeles Municipal Code 151.09.C.9 & 165.05.B.5. All no-fault evictions can be filed at <https://housing.lacity.org/eviction-notice>

### **ECONOMIC DISPLACEMENT (MORE THAN 10% RENT INCREASE)**

Effective March 27, 2023, tenants who receive a rent increase of more than 10% within 12 months and are unable to afford the rent increase have the option to receive relocation assistance to move out of their rental unit instead. The relocation amount is based on the bedroom size of the rental unit. Relocation assistance for tenants who rent a Single Family Dwelling (SFD) is one month's rent if the landlord is a natural person who owns no more than 4 residential units and a SFD on a separate lot.

- A landlord can deduct a tenant's unpaid rental debt from the relocation assistance payment.

#### **2023 ECONOMIC DISPLACEMENT RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PER BEDROOM SIZE**

	Efficiency	1 Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3-Bedroom	4-Bedroom	Single Family Dwelling owned by natural persons
<b>FY2023</b>	\$1,534.00	\$1,747.00	\$2,222.00	\$2,888.00	\$3,170.00	One month's rent
<b>Relo Amt</b>	\$4,602.00	\$5,241.00	\$6,666.00	\$8,664.00	\$9,510.00	
<b>Moving Costs</b>	\$1,411.00	\$1,411.00	\$1,411.00	\$1,411.00	\$1,411.00	
<b>Total Relo \$</b>	\$6,013.00	\$6,652.00	\$8,077.00	\$10,075.00	\$10,921.00	

### **EVICTIONS FOR NON-PAYMENT OF RENT**

Effective March, 27, 2023, landlords may not evict a tenant who falls behind on rent unless the tenant owes an amount higher than the Fair Market Rent (FMR). The FMR depends on the bedroom size of the rental unit. For example, if a tenant rents a 1-bedroom unit and the rent is \$1,500, the landlord cannot evict the tenant since the rent owed is less than the FMR for a 1-bedroom unit.

#### **2023 ECONOMIC TRESHOLD FAIR MARKET RENT PER BEDROOM SIZE**

	Efficiency	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3-Bedroom	4-Bedroom
<b>FY2023</b>	\$1,534.00	\$1,747.00	\$2,222.00	\$2,888.00	\$3,170.00



This is a summary of the Renter Protections of the City of Los Angeles. Please visit our website at [housing.lacity.org](https://housing.lacity.org) for the most up to date information and complete details of the Renter Protections.

**Need Help, call LAHD (866) 557-RENT [7368]  
Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm**

**File a complaint online at [housing.lacity.org/File-a-Complaint](https://housing.lacity.org/File-a-Complaint)  
Have a question? Ask LAHD @ [housing.lacity.org/ask-housing](https://housing.lacity.org/ask-housing)**