

What To Do About Poor Conditions in Your Home

For Hamilton County Residents Who Live Outside the City of Cincinnati:

Inspection

You can ask the Hamilton County Department of Public Health to inspect your home. If they find that your landlord is not following the County or State rules, they will order your landlord to make repairs.

You can request an inspection by calling:

**Hamilton Co. Department of Public Health at
(513) 946-7800; Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

If you live in the City of Norwood, call **513-458-4600** to submit a complaint to the Health Department, and/or **513-458-4510** for the Building Department.

If you live in the City of Springdale, call **513-346-5725** to submit a complaint to the Health Department, and/or **513-346-5730** for the Building Department.

Retaliation

Ohio law says that a landlord may not increase your rent, reduce services due to you under the lease, or file an eviction against you because you made a complaint about conditions in your home. BUT your landlord can proceed with eviction if you are behind on rent. To be safe, please make sure that you do not owe any rent to your landlord before you make a complaint.

If your landlord files an eviction against you or locks you out of your home, call Legal Aid immediately at 513-241-9400. When you call, tell the receptionist that you were referred to Legal Aid by your healthcare provider.

If you have questions or need legal assistance,
please call the Legal Aid line at **(513) 241-9400**.