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The DC Tenant's Advocacy Coalition (TENAC) is a non-profit, all volunteer public service organization dedicated exclusively to tenant rights, and support for, rent control and affordable housing for all in the District. of Columbia. TENAC is the only city wide tenant organization in the District that represents ALL tenants in DC.

## COMMITTEE STRUCTURE & VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

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Because the demand for TENAC services continues to increase and because TENAC is an all volunteer organization, we need TENAC Board members and TENAC volunteers to help by serving on the committees described briefly below. Usually, only between 2 and 4 hours of your time per month will be needed from each volunteer. Committees will report the results of their activities at the regularly scheduled monthly meetings. You can complete and mail in the form on the bottom of page two to volunteer to serve on up to 3 different Standing Committees and to join as a member of TENAC. Stranding Committees include:

- B **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** To help encourage more tenants throughout the District of Columbia, all of whom benefit from the work of TENAC, to become financial members and/or volunteers and by helping to organize tenant associations throughout the city.
- B **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:** To help plan and implement activities designed to help raise money to support the day to day work of TENAC (e.g., printing, mailing, telephone, logistics, space, etc.) by creative marketing, silent auctions, sales, social events, etc.
- B **COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE:** To engage in prevention actions that help tenants avoid evictions, respond to aggressive developer actions and plans; and predatory leasing actions from landlords.. This Committee shall also coordinate advocacy activities regarding the impact of condo conversions across the city.
- B **EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** To help educate tenants throughout the District of Columbia about the unique contributions of TENAC and about the impact of trends pertaining to tenant's rights , building code violations and how to respond to landlords. Helping tenants form Tenant Associations.
- B **LEGAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE:** To help develop legal strategies that help tenants better participate in their legal defense when faced with illegal or unfair landlord aggressions.
- B **LEGISLATIVE & POLICY COMMITTEE:** To conduct candidate research, develop position papers and policy analysis for Council testimony and to increase public understanding of the letter, spirit and impact of proposed legislation on tenants.



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AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEES

Ad Hoc Subcommittees will exist only as long as the TENAC Board of Directors determines that they are needed. Volunteering on one or more of the Ad Hoc Subcommittees does not count against or conflict with your service on a Standing Committee. Ad Hoc Subcommittees shall also report on the results of their activities at the regularly scheduled monthly TENAC meetings.

- A CHRIS CROWDER MEMORIAL COMMITTEE TO PREVENT HOMELESSNESS: To continue the work started by Brother Chris to prevent evictions and avoid homelessness due to the lack of affordable housing.
A HISPANIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE: To support the ever increasing need of the Hispanic community as they confront the pattern of landlord abuses and substandard rental housing.
A PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE: To help prepare press releases, media campaigns and radio appearances.
A SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE: To help plan and implement protests, rallies, town hall meetings, candidate forums, board meetings, etc.
A ADMINSTRATIVE SUPPORT COMMITTEE: To help with the on-going periodic tasks including data entry, copying, mailings, email activities, and most importantly, hot line duty,

YES, I want to volunteer on the following Standing and/or Sub-Committees:

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FULL NAME (Please Print)

STREET ADDRESS: APT./UNIT #

ZIP CODE: WARD: EMAIL:

HOME PHONE: WORK PHONE: CELL PHONE:

MY SPECIAL INTERESTS, TALENTS OR SKILLS INCLUDE:

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY: THE BEST WAY TO REACH ME IS: DAY ( ) EVENING ( ) WEEKDAYS ( )

WEEKENDS ( ) ON MY HOME PHONE ( ) AT WORK ( ) ON MY CELL PHONE ( ) BY EMAIL ( )

I am currently a paid up member of TENAC YES ( ) NO ( ) Currently I'm not a member of TENAC but expect my TENAC Membership Dues in the mail ( ) I Can't join at this time, but expect my financial donation in the mail ( )