

## DID YOU KNOW

- HUD approved housing counselors provided **8%** of overall housing counseling services to rental counseling with over 80,628 clients served in FY 2015
- More than 1 million clients each year receive federal assistance towards affordable rentals, the clients served include low-income families, the elderly, and persons with disabilities
- Clients counseled received assistance with their utility bills and other rental support
- Clients were able to determine if they met the requirements for Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) and public housing
- Rental eviction rates have increased since 2014 and the current rental vacancy rate is 7.3%

## TOP 5 BENEFITS OF RENTAL HOUSING COUNSELING

- Get help to find affordable rental housing
- Determine how much rent you can afford
- Learn budgeting tools and techniques to help you improve your credit
- Know your fair housing rights
- Resolve landlord/tenant disputes

# RENTAL COUNSELING

## RENTAL COUNSELING WORKS

Rental housing is essential to many of our nation's families. Young people starting out on their own, immigrants seeking stability in America, empty nesters, or senior citizens who want to downsize.

Safe, secure affordable housing is a basic human need and many renters are burdened due to rent increases. Among low income renters, **more than 60%** of them pay over one-half of their gross income on housing.

Rental housing counseling helps renters BEFORE you sign a lease.



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