Good Cause Eviction Protects Tenants, Homeowners, and Good Landlords in Beacon

#GoodCause

Housing insecurity is a region-wide issue: over 50 percent of renter households in the area are rent burdened.

Share of renters who are rent burdened, Mid-Hudson region and Dutchess County, 2019

In Beacon, where people of color are significantly more likely than White households to rent their homes, more than half of renters are burdened by housing costs.

Share of households who are renters, Beacon, 2019

Beacon thrives when its renters thrive. #GoodCause supports housing stability by:

1) Protecting renters against unfair evictions without an order from a judge.
2) Allowing tenants to hold landlords accountable for safe living conditions and quality of life concerns without fear of retaliation.
3) Supporting good landlords by stopping bad landlords from predatory exploitation of tenants and unfair advantages in the market.
4) Stabilizing neighborhoods by improving housing stability for residents, which supports education and employment outcomes.
5) Ensuring a stronger municipal budget as the town reduces losses in tax revenue and unpaid utilities, and avoids increased costs associated with services for people experiencing homelessness.

Source and notes: 2019 5-Year American Community Survey Integrated Microdata Series. Rent-burdened is defined as spending more than 30 percent of income on housing costs. Race and ethnicity are not mutually exclusive for city-level rentership estimates; all groups other than White and Latinx include those of Hispanic or Latino origin who identify with that particular racial group.

Today, renters can be evicted for any reason. These evictions negatively affect physical and mental health as well as academic and employment outcomes, ultimately creating widescale housing instability and impacting entire neighborhoods. Good Cause Eviction gives every tenant the right to a renewal lease and protects against predatory rent increases and unfair evictions.

For more information:
Website: https://nobodyleavesmidhudson.org
Twitter: @NLMHlive
Instagram/Facebook: @nobodyleavesmidhudson

©2021 PolicyLink. All rights reserved.