

Tenants' Newsletter

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INTEREST ON SECURITY DEPOSITS

As of April 27, 1984, all deposits (cleaning, security, and last month's rent, etc.) must be placed in an interest bearing account at a savings and loan association or bank. The interest earned on said deposit monies shall be returned to the tenant annually either through a rent rebate or a cash payment. The balance of any interest earned by said payment or deposit monies shall be returned along with the appropriate part of principal to the tenant upon his/her departure from the premises.

What can tenants do if the landlord doesn't return interest on security deposits?

- The first step is to notify your landlord of the situation to seek voluntary compliance.
- The second step is to call the Rent Stabilization Program for counseling on remedies offered under the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

What if my landlord doesn't return my security deposit after moving?

This is a frequent question asked by former tenants. The Rent Stabilization Ordinance does not provide any remedies for this specific situation. One option for tenants is to file against the landlord in a small claims court.

For information about Small Claims Court procedures, contact: Small Claims Advisory Service 363-4000, Ext. x 1293

Work Shop

The Rent Stabilization Program will be conducting a tenant workshop on January 14, 1986, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The workshop will be held in the Municipal Services Building, Conference Room 2B, 2415 University Avenue, East Palo Alto, California. For further

information, contact Gayle Benton at (415) 853-3100.

New Tenants!

If you have recently moved into the City of East Palo Alto, contact the Rent Stabilization Program for information concerning your correct rent level and other protections afforded tenants under the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebrations in the City of East Palo Alto

Thursday, January 9, 1986

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

"Towards the Realization of a Dream"

Keynote Speaker: **Julian Bond**,
Georgia State Senator and Civil Rights Leader

Wednesday, January 15, 1986

7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

7:00: Conscious Leadership and Social Responsibility: the Case of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.--

Keynote Speech: **Dr. Johannes A. J. Masare**,
Professor, San Jose State University

Monday, January 20, 1986

5:15 p.m.

Candlelight March from 2415 University Avenue to St. John Baptist Church, 1050 Bay Road.

Keynote Speaker: **Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker**
Close Friend and Lieutenant to Dr. King
Rabbi Sidney Akselrad

*Congregation Beth Am, Los Altos Hills,
Memories of marching with Dr. King*

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Employment Opportunity

The City of East Palo Alto is currently seeking applicants for the position of Secretary II. Requirements: High School graduate with a minimum of two year clerical experience and 40 wpm. typing. Salary \$15,00-\$18,000 per year. Filing Deadline: January 24, 1986. Please apply at the Council Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Nomination Period For Council Candidates

If you are interested in seeking elective office to the City Council, you may obtain the required nomination papers from the City Clerk beginning Thursday, January 9, 1986. The last day to file your nomination papers with the Clerk is Thursday, January 30, 1986. Nomination papers must be picked up IN PERSON ONLY.