

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS! KNOW YOUR RESOURCES!

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Every renter deserves a safe, stable home and that starts with knowing your rights as a renter and the resources available to you. Renters have protections under California law that everyone should be aware of, and there are services to help you navigate housing problems. Please learn more with the information below.

## KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Click the link below to learn more about landlord-tenant protections:  
California Attorney General: Landlord-Tenant Issues



**Even Without Rent Stabilization, Salinas Renters Are Not Alone**

You have **rights, resources, and real support** — and they're growing.



**YOU HAVE RIGHTS AND LEGAL PROTECTIONS:**



**Rent Increase Notices**

- If your rent is increasing **10% or less**, your landlord must give you at least **30 days' written notice**.
- If the increase is **over 10%**, you must receive at least **90 days' written notice**.
- For Section 8 tenants, landlords must provide **60 days' notice** to both the tenant and Housing Authority.



Learn more:

California Civil Code § 827

[https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/codes\\_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=827.&lawCode=CIV](https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?sectionNum=827.&lawCode=CIV)



**Eviction Protection (AB 1482 – Tenant Protection Act of 2019)**

- Covers most tenants in buildings over 15 years old.
- Limits rent increases to **5% + CPI (typically capped at around 8–10%)** per year.
- Prohibits eviction without “just cause” (e.g., non-payment of rent, illegal activity).



Full details here: AB 1482 Fact Sheet (Tenants Together)  
<https://www.tenants-together.org/resources/ab-1482-tenants-guide>



**Safe & Habitable Homes**

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Landlords are legally required to maintain properties in a safe, livable condition. This includes:

- Working plumbing and heating
- Safe electrical systems
- No leaks, mold, or pest infestations

👉 Report code violations to City of Salinas: **(831) 758-7368**  
Or file online at:

<https://www.cityofsalinas.org>



## Return of Security Deposits

- Landlords must return your security deposit within **21 days** after you move out.
- Deductions must be itemized and legally justified (e.g., cleaning, damage).

👉 Know your rights:  
<https://www.dca.ca.gov/publications/landlordbook/securitydeposit.shtml>



## REAL RENTAL SUPPORT SOLUTIONS FOR SALINAS RENTERS

The Salinas City Council is working on a **new, citywide support system** for renters—focused on flexibility, fairness, and long-term housing stability.



**Salinas Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)** – *Coming Soon, may include:*

- **Security Deposit Guarantee:**  
Covers up to **75% of move-in deposits**

- **Emergency Rental Relief:** Up to **6 months' rent** for tenants facing job loss, illness, or crisis
- **Transitional Housing Support:** Assistance for very low-income renters building toward stable housing
- **Inclusive Citywide Support:** Available to qualifying renters in **all neighborhoods**, not just specific properties



## WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

The City of Salinas and community partners are investing in **education**, **transparency**, and **real help**—so every renter knows their rights.

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### SCAN & LEARN MORE



Use these QR Codes to access:

- Tenant Rights & Protections
- SRAP Program Updates
- Report Unsafe Housing
- Local Legal Aid Resources

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Tenant Landlord Coalition |

<https://www.tlc-monterey.org>



Center for Community Advocacy | (831)  
753-2324

<mailto:info@cca-viva.org>



City of Salinas Housing Division | (831)  
758-7368

<https://www.cityofsalinas.org>



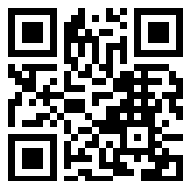
Salinas Chamber of Commerce | (831)  
751-7725

[https://www.salinachamber.com/tenant  
srights](https://www.salinachamber.com/tenant-srights)



Monterey County Housing Authority |  
(831) 775-5000

<https://www.hamonterey.org>



ECHO | (626) 788-2711

<https://www.echo-housing.org>

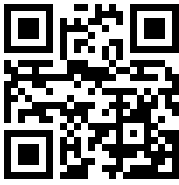


CRLA | (800) 337-0690

<https://crla.org/>

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Legal Services for Seniors | (831) 899-0492

<https://www.lssmc.net>



211 Monterey | (831) 566-0824

<https://www.211monterey.org>



Alliance on Aging | 831.758.4011

<https://www.allainceonaging.org>