

3 Steps For Success

Phase 1: Management Training

Managers receive training on how to effectively manage their properties, screen tenants and enforce Residential Tenancy Act.

Phase 2: Building Security Upgrades

Police personnel will inspect and recommend security improvements.

Apartments must meet the minimum security requirements of CFMH to become fully certified.

Phase 3: Resident Training

At a yearly social meeting, Police personnel will provide the latest in Crime Prevention/Home Security techniques and tips.

Successful completion of these three steps will result in an apartment community being fully certified in the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program. The property will then obtain permission to display the CFMH sign and to use the CFMH in its rental advertising.

Regular reviews and annual re-certification ensure that the certified apartment community continues to meet the requirements of the Program.

Can this help you....

Yes, if you are an owner, manager or resident that has a desire to work with the police in reducing crime on rental property. Throughout British Columbia, apartment communities are reaping the rewards of this effective and proven Program.

The Richmond Crime Free Multi-Housing Program can help you!

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Check out our online Criminal Activity map at www.richmond.ca/crime



Crime Free Multi-Housing Program

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Are You.....

1. An apartment owner or manager?
2. Concerned about criminal activity, nuisance or destructive behavior by some of your tenants?
3. Losing money due to property damage or neglect by problem tenants?
4. Having trouble knowing what to do with problem tenants and/or their guests?
5. Wanting to spend less time on crisis control?
6. Wanting a more stable and satisfied long term resident base?
7. Wanting a community environment that provides safety and peace of mind for you and your tenants?

If you answered yes to some or all of the above questions, the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program is for you!

What is the Crime Free Multi-Housing Program?

It is a crime prevention initiative designed specifically to help apartment owners, managers, residents, police and other agencies work together to keep illegal and nuisance activity off rental property. Its unique three phases ensure that crime prevention is successfully attained. It is resident friendly yet effective in reducing crime in multi-unit apartment communities.

It has been used successfully in other cities throughout British Columbia and North America.

Program Goals

- Create safer apartment communities
- Help apartment owners and managers effectively screen prospective residents
- Show residents crime prevention techniques to maintain a safe and secure home
- Reduce the number of criminal and nuisance related incidents at apartment communities

The Costs of Criminal and Nuisance Activity on Rental Property

- Declining property values
- Property damage arising from abuse and neglect
- Increased potential for fire damages due to drug manufacturing and/or grow operations
- Loss of rental income during the eviction and repair processes
- Increased resentment and frustration between neighbours and property managers
- The loss of valued residents

Benefits of the Program

For Owners and Managers:

- Increased demand for suites by desirable residents
- A stable and satisfied resident base
- Lower maintenance and repair costs
- Improved property values
- Improved safety for owners, managers and residents
- More time for routine management as opposed to crisis management

For Residents:

- A safer and more pleasant place to live
- Responsive and proactive owners and managers
- Reduced need to call police

For Police:

- Improves communication and relationships between police and apartment communities
- Reduced criminal and nuisance related calls to apartment communities

