



# Tigard Police Department

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### **Police Partnerships Extend to Rental Properties**

There is an abundance of rental properties throughout Washington County. Whether the property is large or small, rental properties typically present unique needs to both the community and the police. Calls for police service at rental properties can be excessive; often creating frustration for other tenants as well. Good tenants deserve a safe and pleasant location to call home.

Decades ago, police began to understand that repeated calls for service to the same location were not productive. Even though arrests may have been made, it often did not diminish the root cause of the problem. Many times problems restart. Community policing introduced ways to address the source of issues at rental properties. Police now work with rental property owners and managers to reduce the risk and identify potential problems.

A unique coalition in Washington County takes this concept further. Crime prevention specialists from the Beaverton, Hillsboro and Tigard Police Departments along with the Washington County Sheriff's Office have teamed-up to offer assistance and resources to rental property owners and managers. A free monthly forum geared specifically to help better manage rentals is available.

On Wednesday, October 12, the Westside Crime Prevention Coalition will begin their 17th season presenting informative topics designed to improve the safety and livability of rental properties. The forums will continue each month, always on the second Wednesday, meeting at PCC at Willow Creek located 241 SW Edgeway Drive in Beaverton.

A true benefit of attending the forum is an opportunity to get your questions answered by Attorney Jeffrey S. Bennett or his associates representing Warren Allen LLP of Portland which specializes in rental property issues. Come learn from the experts. You can learn more about the free monthly forums as well as the coalition at: <http://www.tigard-or.gov/police/landlord.php> The Westside Crime Prevention Coalition is also on Facebook.