

The Richfield Apartment Manager's Association (RAMA) is a collaborative effort between the City of Richfield and rental housing management and owners to create and maintain quality apartment communities. The RAMA Reporter is published quarterly to provide information and resources for furthering this mission.

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Kids@Home Rental Assistance Program Opening in September

Do any of your residents have kids in a Richfield school? Would they be interested in getting help with their rent and becoming part of a supportive, life-changing community? Consider referring them to our award-winning Kids@Home Program (flyer enclosed).

The application will be available for download from the [City's website](#) from September 1 through September 22, and applications are due by **4 pm, September 27th**. For more information about the program, contact Lynnette Chambers at 612.861.9773 or lichambers@richfieldmn.gov.

Eviction Moratorium Off-Ramp – Important Dates

June 30	Lease terminations possible for material violations of lease, other than non-payment of rent.
July 14	Evictions possible for material violations of lease, other than non-payment of rent.
August 13	Lease terminations possible for non-payment of rent, only if tenant is <i>not</i> eligible for COVID-19 rental assistance.
September 12	Evictions possible for tenants who have not paid rent and are <i>not</i> eligible for COVID-19 rental assistance. Fifteen-day notice required.
October 12	All lease termination and eviction protections are lifted except for eligible renters with pending COVID-19 rental assistance applications.
June 1, 2022	All lease termination and eviction protections are lifted.

Options for emergency rental assistance:

[Zero Balance Project](#)

[RentHelpMN](#)

Know that [VEAP](#) is always a resource for residents who might be struggling to pay their rent or other bills, regardless of whether it's a COVID-related impact: **952.888.9616**.

Crime Prevention Tip: Catalytic Converters

The Twin Cities area, including Richfield, continues to see thefts of catalytic converters from vehicles. Check out these [prevention tips](#) from Richfield's Crime Prevention Unit, and help spread the word to your tenants so everyone is informed and can take steps to protect their vehicles. Consider installing motion sensor lights and cameras in your parking areas to deter potential thieves.

Rental Inspections are Back!

Rental inspections that were paused during the COVID-19 pandemic have resumed. Be on the look-out for a rental inspection letter and be sure to call Natalie at 612.861.9882 to either confirm the proposed inspection date or reschedule it. If you haven't received a letter but want to get a head start on the inspections process, feel free to call Natalie and schedule an inspection.

Recycling

Multi-family properties in Hennepin County are required to provide residents with the opportunity to recycle. Recycling service should be equal in capacity to trash service to capture all of the recyclable material generated by residents. See the [how to comply guide \(PDF\)](#) for step-by-step instructions. The county provides resources to assist multifamily properties in meeting these requirements. Sign up to receive the [Apartments Recycle newsletter](#) to receive updates as new resources become available.

Rental Rehab Loans and Grants

Funds are still available through the City's Apartment Remodeling Loan and Grant programs. Check out our website ([Apartment Remodeling Resources](#)) or contact Julie Urban, Housing Manager, at jurban@richfieldmn.gov or 612.861.9777 for more information.

Contact Lynnette Chambers (lchambers@richfieldmn.gov) or Julie Urban (jurban@richfieldmn.gov) with questions or ideas for newsletter topics.