



Government of the District of Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development

NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

TENANT OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE ACT (TOPA) FOR TENANTS and WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT TENANT PETITIONS

The Department of Housing and Community Development will present an education opportunity for District of Columbia tenants and property owners to provide an overview of the District of Columbia's Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act of 1980 relating to tenants' rights to purchase their building and first right of refusal, as well as the process property owners must follow to convert a rental property to a condominium or cooperative, including offer of sale notices, notices of transfer and the Housing Assistance Payments for displaced tenants.

The session will also include an overview of the Tenant Petition/Complaint Process as prescribed by the Rental Housing Act of 1985, as amended and Title 14, Chapter 42 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

Who: The general public are welcome to attend this FREE education session.

Speakers: Lauren Pair, Administrator, Rental Conversion and Sales Division (CASD);
and Keith Anderson, Acting Rent Administrator, Rental Accommodations
Division (RAD)

When: 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 4, 2010

Where: One Judiciary Square at 441 4th Street, NW
Room 1114 South

Contact: To attend, please contact Vivian Portis, Outreach Specialist, at (202)
442-7275 or vivian.portis@dc.gov.

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