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Tenant Resource Center restores regular office hours until 6:00 p.m. weekdays

Volunteers needed, training this Saturday

The Tenant Resource Center returns to regular walk-in office hours at its Williamson Street office as of today. Hours of availability are restored to 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Due to cuts in both federal and university funding during 2007, TRC was forced to reduce office hours in October to allow the small staff to focus on end of year fundraising efforts and volunteer recruitment.

"It's exciting to be back at our regular hours, so people can once again access our services after work or classes. We could not have done this without the generosity of the community; however, we won't be able to sustain it without a much larger pool of dedicated volunteers," said Executive Director Brenda Konkel.

As a result of this need, there is a one-day volunteer housing counselor training and orientation scheduled this Saturday, January 5, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Tenant Resource Center office (1202 Williamson Street, Madison). If interested please call Megin McDonell at 608-257-0143, or e-mail at mmcdonell@tenantresourcecenter.org. For those unable to attend this training and orientation, a second training will be provided in early February divided over several shorter sessions. Contact Megin McDonell as above for details.

Tenant Resource Center provides information about rental rights and responsibilities to tenants and landlords throughout Wisconsin. The most common problems discussed are eviction, repairs, security deposits and other consumer protections for tenants and landlords. Information on these topics can be found at www.tenantresourcecenter.org or by calling the housing counseling line at 608-257-0006 (inside Dane County) or 877-238-RENT (outside Dane County). There are no other organizations in Wisconsin that have the capacity to provide free rental housing counseling to the entire state. Those wishing to volunteer or donate can do so through the website at http://www.tenantresourcecenter.org/volunteer_donate/.

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1202 Williamson Street, Suite A, Madison, WI 53703

Housing Counseling Line: 608.257.0006 or 877.238.RENT(7368) toll-free from outside of Dane County

Housing Mediation Service: 608.257.2799 **Administrative Office:** 608.257.0143 Fax: 608.286.0804

Email: asktrc@tenantresourcecenter.org office@tenantresourcecenter.org Website: <http://www.tenantresourcecenter.org/>

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