

A Community Service from the Liberty Board of Realtors

PROPERTY OWNERS: HELP US! HELP YOU!

During the beginning of the COVID-19 National Emergency Governor Murphy approved an Executive Order that prohibited a tenant from being evicted for not making their monthly rent payment. This Order covered all tenants including those who did not lose their jobs. We have received reports there are numerous tenants with the means to pay rent, but have simply stopped paying, knowing they cannot be evicted.

We are surveying property owners so that we can present data to the Governor and State Legislators demonstrating this abuse of their good intention. Our position is that the Governor should modify the Order to exclude tenants that did not suffer financial hardship because of COVID. Please go to our website and answer 10 easy questions. It will take you less than 3 minutes. Tenants have different groups telling Governor Murphy and your legislators of the difficulty tenants are having during our National Emergency. Governor Murphy and your elected officials need to hear the concerns of both tenants and property owners.

WHY WILL THIS HELP YOU EVEN IF YOUR TENANT(S) IS PAYING THEIR RENT?

There is a practical reason for you to participate in the survey, even if your tenant(s) is paying rent. If a multi-family property owner has tenants taking advantage of the Order their rental income will be less and many will file for a tax appeal. When a tax appeal is successful the property owner pays less taxes but all other property owners' taxes increase. We agree that many of your neighbors are having difficulties, but if there are tenants taking advantage of Governor Murphy's good intentions then the Governor needs to know so he can better serve all residents in New Jersey.

Go to libertyboardofrealtors.com TODAY.

<u>Give us 3 minutes of your time!</u>