



BOARDMAN TOWNSHIP

# Landlord Registration PROGRAM



## Who Does Landlord Registration Affect?

Landlord Registration is a program with an impact on the entire community. Landlords are required to register yearly and pass inspections where required. Rental tenants have a basic expectation for housing in Boardman Township and a process to follow with questions and concerns. Homeowners have a reassurance that despite any future changes or trends in the demographics, Boardman Township will continue to be *A Nice Place to Call Home*.

Boardman Township Zoning administers this program, along with other initiatives aimed at maintaining the community.

This publication was prepared by the Boardman Township Zoning Office to provide general information on Landlord Registration.

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# Why Landlord Registration?

Combat absentee landlord issues

Protect the integrity of our neighborhoods

Maintain property values



## What does landlord registration do for landlords?

Boardman Township is proud of our community and wants to protect the investments of landlords who choose to own and rent property in Boardman. By insisting on minimum standards and accountability by all landlords, rent levels will be maintained or improved. Landlords will have a place to file complaints to protect their investment and the safety of their residents and others.



## What does landlord registration do for renters?

Everyone who lives in Boardman has the right to expect safe, clean living conditions. The economy has changed and many Boardman residents are choosing not to take on home ownership or a mortgage. For those who choose to rent, they can rest assured that Boardman, as a home rule township, has the ability to provide standards for rentals. There is also support and a source for renters to file complaints.

## What does landlord registration do for homeowners?

One of the most surprising trends in recent years is the amount of rentals in the single-family home neighborhoods. This trend is seen in all neighborhoods in Boardman, north and south. This is due to the struggle of sellers to find buyers or attempts to find new forms of income. A neighborhood's character and identity should not be negatively impacted by changes in ownership type. While there are differences between owner-occupants renters, landlord registration will help protect the integrity of our neighborhoods.

### What about the Housing Choice Voucher Program (AKA Section 8)?

This is a federal program to assist low-income people in finding better housing. Landlords apply for this program on a unit-by-unit basis. Depending on whether requirements are met, units may fluctuate between being part of this program or ineligible. Boardman Township is not involved in this program in any way.

However, all rental units would be required to meet Boardman's minimum standards, regardless of participation in this program.

