



## Off Campus Housing Referrals

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# 5 Keys to Living Off-Campus

*(Provided by Campus and Community Coalition, Education and Outreach Committee)*

Moving off campus can be an exciting time – giving you more independence and options than you've had before. You will also be joining a neighborhood likely to have a mix of students and families, homeowners and tenants. Here are 5 suggestions for being a hit with your neighbors:

## Meet Your Neighbors

Introduce yourself, exchange contact information, and keep the lines of communication open. Put yourself in their shoes; do they have young children or go to work early?

## Be Considerate

Keep noise levels down and inform your neighbors if you plan to have a party. Ask your visitors to be considerate, too!

## Keep Your Neighborhood Beautiful

Dispose of trash in provided receptacles and don't use indoor furniture outdoors. Try to observe and respect neighborhood standards.

## Practice Car Courtesy

Park only in designated spaces and keep car stereos turned down. Drive with extra caution in residential areas and definitely don't drink and drive.

## Obey the Law

Observe all state, local, and federal laws and learn about the health codes protecting you and your neighbors. Remember, the code of student conduct can be enforced off-campus too!