



COVID-19 and Evictions

There is no moratorium on rent. Tenants are still obligated to pay rent.

For properties falling under the CARES Act (for example- properties that participate in VAWA or HUD and properties that have federally backed mortgages) there is a 120 day moratorium on eviction (until July 25, 2020). Please note, this is not a moratorium on rent owed. The moratorium does not apply to eviction for things other than non-payment (illegal activity, etc). Properties falling under the CARE Act cannot charge late fees, penalties or interest. It is advisable to consult an attorney to determine if the CARES Act applies to individual situations.

For properties which do not fall under the CARES Act late fees can be assessed, evictions can be filed. Greene County has a suspension of in-person hearings until May 1, 2020 which might delay obtaining a judgement for eviction but this can all change quickly.

Low income tenants who need representation can contact Legal Services of Southern Missouri at (417) 881-1397. Landlords seeking legal representation can contact the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association at [\(417\) 831-2783](tel:417-831-2783) for a referral.