

# Information Sheet

## Tara Apartments

### Lease

- *Will I have to move out of my apartment now?*
  - No. You will be allowed to stay as long as you wish. Your current lease remains in effect, even though you may not meet the criteria set by the University for future residents (all future residents must be graduate/professional students, students over 21 or students with families). As previously, you will be required to notify management of your intent to remain in Tara Apartments 90 days prior to the expiration of your lease term.
- *Will I need to reapply for my apartment at the end of my current lease?*
  - You will not need to reapply, but you will need to let us know about your intent to stay or vacate at the end of your lease term. You'll receive more information later about how to let us know about your intent.
- *What will the qualifications be to live here? Will I be eligible?*
  - All current residents may remain at Tara as long as they abide by current lease requirements, which have not changed. Future residents must fall into one of the following categories:
    - Graduate or professional student
    - Married students
    - Students with children
    - Students over 21 years of age
- *Do all occupants have to qualify and sign the lease?*
  - Current residents will be able to remain in Tara if they wish.
- *Will I get to stay in the same apartment?*
  - Yes.
- *Will I be required to give the same 90-day notice if I want to vacate at the end of my lease?*
  - You will be required to provide 90-day notice of your intent to stay or vacate your apartment.
- *Do I have the option to terminate my lease or sublease my apartment if I do not want to or am not able to fulfill my current lease obligation?*
  - All current policies regarding termination or subletting your apartment will remain in effect. For details about subleasing, contact the Tara Apartments management.

### Rules & Regulations

- *Will all of the rules and regulations stay the same?*
  - While we will be reviewing all current rules and regulations for consistency with University policies and practices, we anticipate most of the rules and regulations will remain the same. The one exception that will change is regarding weapons. Consistent with state law, no firearms or other lethal weapons are allowed in any property or grounds owned by the state. Since Tara Apartments will be owned by a state agency (the University), weapons will not be permitted. Should you own a weapon, there are provisions for storage with the University Police department (MUPD).
- *Will the rules be enforced in the same manner?*
  - The only change to enforcement will be the change in jurisdiction from the Columbia Police Department to the University Police Department. Most, if not all, your interactions will continue to be with the staff you know at Tara.
- *Who will I contact if I have a problem with one of my neighbors?*
  - You will continue to contact Tara management with any concerns you have about neighbors, maintenance or care of the facility.

- *Will I have resident advisors/supervision like in the residence halls?*
  - No. The property will be managed different than residence halls, similar to other apartment properties currently managed by Residential Life.
- *Will I need to purchase a parking permit?*
  - No. Parking permits are available free of charge for Tara Apartments residents at the front office.

### **Rent**

- *Will the rent amount, due date and grace period/late fees stay the same for the rest of my current lease?*
  - Policy changes will not take place during your current lease. All current rent and maintenance procedures will stay the same through the end of your lease term. The rental rate increase previously proposed will remain in effect for the next lease term.
- *Will I still pay my rent in the Tara office?*
  - Yes.
- *Can I still pay with cash, check or money order?*
  - Yes.
- *Who will the check/money order need to be made payable to?*
  - All checks/money orders AFTER JANUARY 9, should be made payable to the University of Missouri. Please include your apartment number and resident's name.
- *Will my roommate and I have to pay together (i.e. with one check) or separately?*
  - At this time, payments can continue to be made separately or together.

### **Maintenance**

- *How will I put in a maintenance request?*
  - You will continue to submit maintenance requests as you have done in the past.
- *Do I need to be home for maintenance to complete the requested work?*
  - No.
- *Will 24 hour emergency maintenance still be available and who will I need to contact for this service?*
  - Yes. You will follow the current process to get assistance with a maintenance request.

### **Misc.**

- *Can I stay in my apartment over breaks (summer, holiday, etc.)?*
  - Yes. Nothing will change on your current lease. In addition, Tara will continue to operate as an apartment complex, but it will focus primarily on the needs of current MU graduate/professional and family students.
- *Will cable TV still be provided?*
  - Yes. In the future, the cable provided may change from Mediacom to the university's cable service. However, that change will not be immediate.
- *Will I continue to use the same utility provider?*
  - Yes. No changes to utilities are anticipated.
- *Will I have access to MU's internet service?*
  - Not immediately. Internet service will remain an additional utility provided by the resident.
- *Will my mailing address stay the same?*
  - Yes. Your current address will remain the same.