## **ABOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S**

PERMANENT RENT
STABILIZATION ORDINANCE



There is currently a <u>Temporary Rent Stabilization Ordinance</u> in effect until **March 31, 2020** in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. Rent stabilization is a local law that standardizes the amount of rent increases and extends eviction protections.

The County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors approved a <u>Permanent Rent Stabilization Ordinance</u> for eligible rental units in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County which will become effective on **April 1, 2020**.

Here's what the permanent ordinance means for rental property owners like you:

- An annual cap of up to 8 percent (tied to the Consumer Price Index) on rent increases. Some exemptions apply.
- Rent increases must be based on the legal "base rent" a renter was paying on September 11, 2018 or when the tenancy began.
- A process for you to request to temporarily or permanently increase rent above the annual cap if you believe you are not receiving a fair return on your property.
- A process for you to pass through a portion of the costs for certain property improvements or renovations to renters.
- If you own 50 or fewer rental units, you may pass on the direct cost of the Measure W parcel tax to renters (approved by voters in the November 2018 election). This cost is separate from rent increases.
- You may only evict renters for specific "just cause" reasons, even if your unit is not covered by the rent restrictions in the Ordinance.
  - Note: These units may still be subject to State rent restrictions/limits.
- You may have to provide renters relocation assistance for <u>no fault evictions</u> and certain temporary displacements.
- You must register your rental units annually and document changes in tenancy, rental rate, and amenities.

To find out if a property is in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County, use the "Find Your District" feature at <a href="https://lavote.net/apps/precinctsmaps">https://lavote.net/apps/precinctsmaps</a> and select "District Map Look Up By Address".



INFORMATION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS

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