Waterloo

Landlord

Manual



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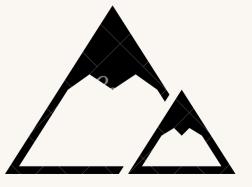


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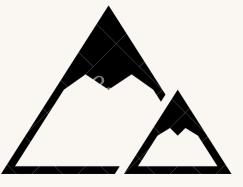






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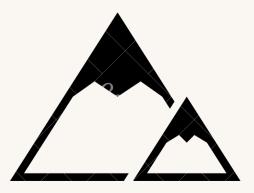




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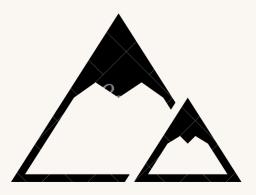




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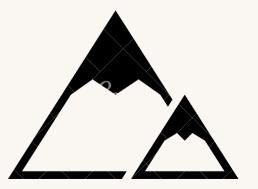
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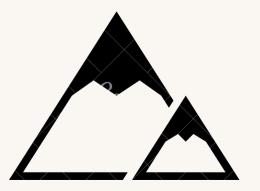
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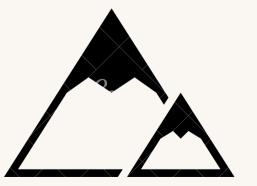
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- It makes great use of hyper-links to reach relevant city-codes.



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Waterloo Department of Human Services – Housing Authority 2021



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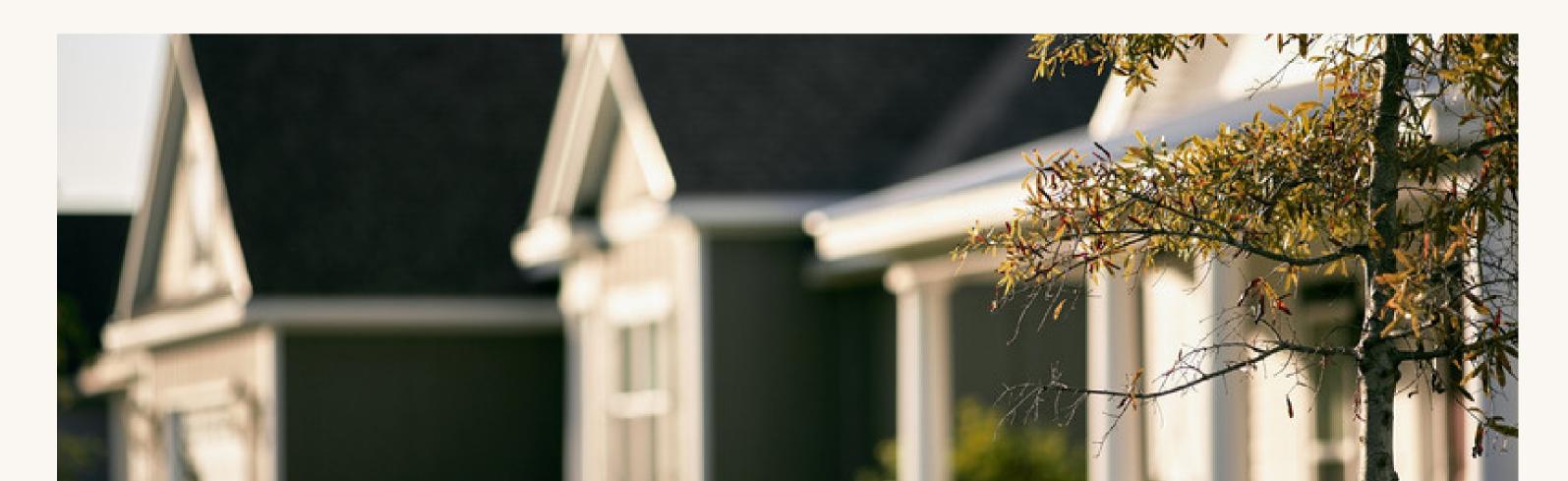


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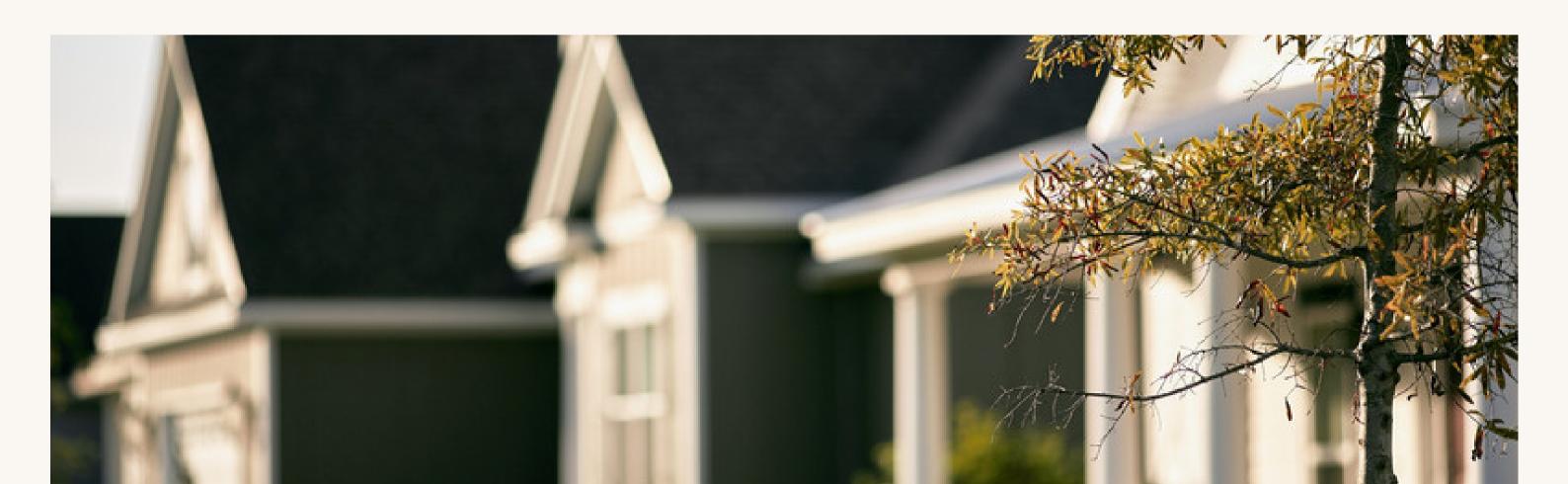
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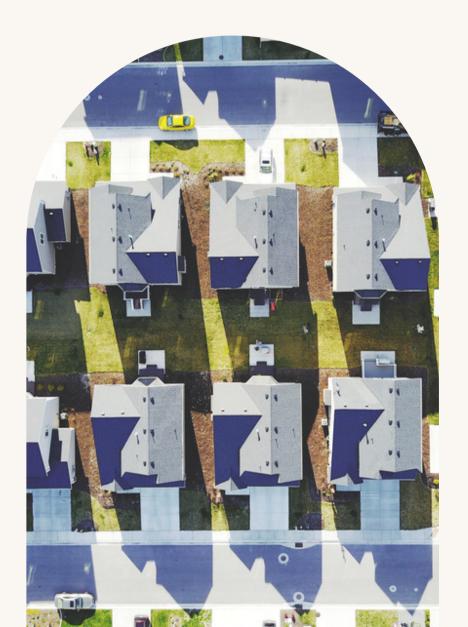
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RIGHTS

- Receiving a 24-hour notice from the landlord before they can enter the residence
- A tenant is protected against retaliation for seeking to protect their housing rights
- It is illegal to discriminate housing based on a protected class

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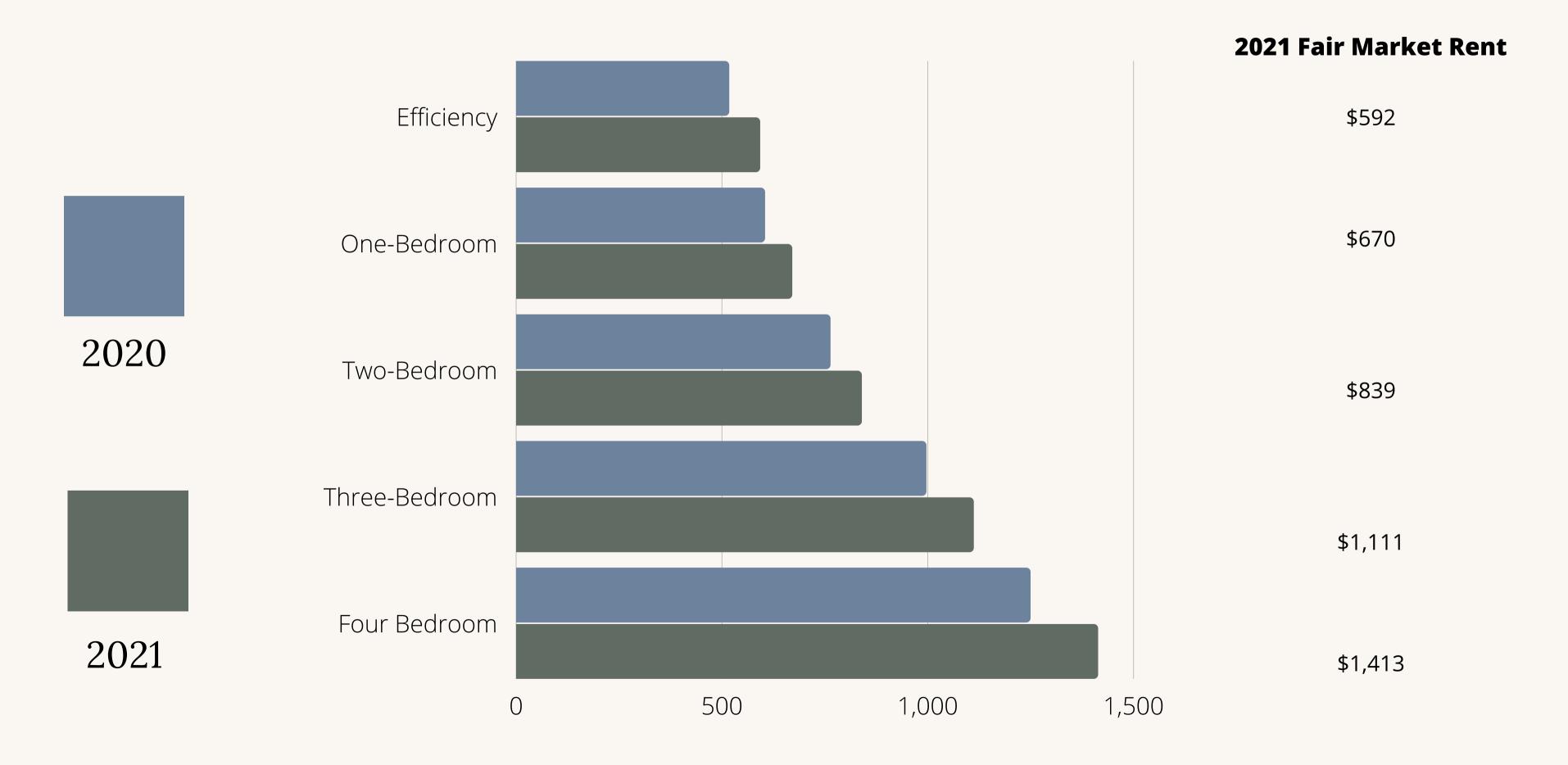
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Fair Market Pricing in Waterloo (HUD)



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