Transcript of Overview of Renter's Toolkit Audio

00:00 – 1:07 “Whether you are new to renting or have a place and just need a few tips, this toolkit can help. It offers tips and advice on how to find a home that's affordable for you, how to secure that home, and how to maintain it until you move on. The toolkit is made up of five phases.

The first phase is preparing for the housing search, where you will find information on housing options, get clarity on what you are looking for, and figure out how much you can spend on rent.

The second phase is searching for housing. This section has tips on where to look for units, what to consider when viewing them, and how to communicate well with potential landlords.

Phase three focuses on securing housing and making it feel like home, with information on how to review your lease, credit checks, and how to prepare for the move.

Phase four will help you stay housed. Learn about your legal rights and responsibilities and where to find support. We will also show you how to report maintenance and health and safety issues.

Deciding to move is the fifth phase in this toolkit. We will help you understand how to legally end your tenancy and answer common questions that come up.”