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Subject: Fall 2023 Off-Campus Living

Dear Off-Campus Student,

Welcome back! We hope you are getting settled into your off-campus residences. We wanted to take a moment to send you some reminders so that you have a smooth year ahead.

Hurricane Season

Hurricane season started June 1 and runs through November 30th. If you are new to off-campus living, please make sure you're prepared for both a shelter in place and evacuation situation. Supplies every residence should have on hand include batteries, battery packs (fully charged when there is a threat of a storm), flashlights and/or battery operated lanterns, bottled water (enough for 1 gallon per person for 5-7 days), and non-perishable food that does not have to be cooked, again enough for 5-7 days. More information about preparing for hurricanes can be found [here](#).

Neighborhood Relations

Each year, our neighbors reach out to us with frustrations about student behavior off-campus. Please remember that many people who live in the areas surrounding Tulane are not affiliated with Tulane. Many are professional adults who work standard hours, have small children or are elderly. Please make sure your conduct is respectful of these people, many of whom have lived in the neighborhood for most of their lives. Furthermore, the Tulane Code of Conduct applies equally both on-campus and off-campus. It is your responsibility to comply with the University's expectations of you regardless of where you live. Here are some easy ways to be a good neighbor:

- **Dispose of Trash Properly:** Maintaining a consistent trash schedule is not only important for a clean environment but also for fostering a harmonious neighborhood. Ensuring your trash and recycling bins are placed out for collection between 4 p.m. the day before and 6 a.m. on collection day is a key step. Once the collection is complete, promptly remove your bins from the curb and any public areas by 7 p.m. on collection day. This helps keep our streets clear and accessible. Additionally, make sure you bag and secure your trash, break down boxes for recycling, and ensure the lids to all receptacles can close before placing the receptacles on the curb. Following these steps ensures compliance with the city's regulations and demonstrate your respect for the community.

- **Respect Quiet Hours:** It's important be aware of the New Orleans Noise Ordinance, which restricts noise levels above conversation level (60 dB) from being heard in a neighbor's home and prohibits amplified noise between 9 p.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday–Thursday, and between 10:30 p.m. and 10 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. This law applies to homes with shared walls or property lines. Keep in mind that your neighbors include families, elderly residents, and those with various work schedules. Compliance with these regulations ensures a peaceful community environment for everyone.
- **Parking Etiquette:** Follow all local parking regulations, including not blocking driveways or fire hydrants. Be sure to park in a way that doesn't inconvenience your neighbors.

If you experience issues with any city functions, including trash pick-up, lighting or road issues, please report these directly to the [City of New Orleans](#).

Safety, Security & Other Resources

As always, your safety is always of the utmost importance to us. You may have noticed the new Tulane University Police substation on Broadway. We hope that this will make access to TUPD even easier for off-campus students. Here are some other safety tips:

- Make sure you lock your doors at all times, when you are home and when you go out. Please do not leave your doors unlocked so that a known person may access your residence.
- Consider asking your landlord to install a Ring or similar type doorbell camera so that you know who is at your door prior to opening it.
- Make sure you have functional smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in your house and that you follow all fire safety [guidelines](#)
- If something happens to you off-campus and the New Orleans Police Department responds, please let us know. You can call the Student Affairs Professional on-call number (504)920-9900, call TUPD 504-865-5911 or file a [concerns report](#). This will allow us to make sure you have the right supports in place.

If you need anything as you navigate off-campus living, please reach out to us. The Office of Government & Community relations collaborates with partners across campus annually to create [guide](#) that contains really helpful information. [Student Affairs](#) and [Government & Community Relations](#) both have websites designed to provide helpful information to you.

We wish you a great fall semester!

Sincerely,

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