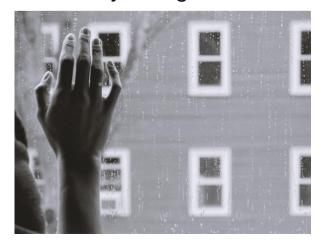
What is a Home Takeover?

A home takeover happens when you can't get someone to leave your home and they start making you feel physically, financially or emotionally unsafe.

It might seem fair at first - like trading free stuff for a place to crash - but **gets bad over** time.

Home takeovers can be done by people you care about, or by strangers.





Protect Your Home

Stop home takeover before it starts.

- Don't have too many people over at once
- Stay connected with people you can trust
- Know the rules of your lease
- Set your own house rules and stick to them
- Be careful about who you let stay in your home
- Don't give others your phone or keys

Is this a Home Takeover?

Having guests in your home should be nice.

Sometimes that changes.

Ask yourself, are they...

- doing stuff that could get you in trouble?
- making you feel anxious, worried, or unsafe?
 - making you do things you don't want to do?
- staying because you owe them money?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, reach out for support.

Worried about someone you know?

"It began by
feeling sorry for people
using drugs in the street.
I felt bad that I had a place
to go, and they
didn't."

"I felt threatened many times. I was punched out if I asked people to leave."

"I was evicted..
but I left a week prior
because I had no stuff
left there..it had all been
robbed..and there were
too many people."

A tenant is responsible for what happens in their home.

If you think a home takeover is happening to your neighbour or someone you care about, you need to get help to keep them safe.

For help with a home takeover, talk to:

- Someone you trust
- Your housing provider
- Your support worker

Not sure who to call?







In an emergency, call 911.

Visit

www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca for more information and resources.



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Home should be a safe place



If you feel that your neighbour or someone you care about is in danger because of a home takeover, take action and get help.
Support is here.