

UNIVERSITY

Group to examine family housing

Problems with student estimates of financial need

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Emerald Reporter

Assessing financial needs of family housing applicants to determine eligibility is one possibility a University task force is looking at to prevent abuses in subsidized housing.

The task force was appointed in March by Housing Director Marjory Ramey because of questions raised over the past several years about whether some family housing residents could afford to live elsewhere, Ramey said.

More recently, the question of residents' financial means has grown more important because of the recent family housing shortage, Ramey said. About 60 eligible families remain on the waiting list for family housing, she said.

At their first meeting April 9, task force members reviewed Ramey's charge to determine what key issues to investigate, said Ron Tendick, family housing director and task force chairman.

Task force members decided to investigate issues relating to validating actual income, Tendick said, such as having a

representative from international services look into the department's ability to verify financial information furnished by international students.

Eligibility and need are factors used to determine who gets in vacant family housing but "sometimes those issues get confused," Tendick said.

"Could we apply a financial test to eligibility as opposed to priority?" Tendick asked. "Students with the most financial need should have first priority. It's difficult to apply a test, but there are a lot of good reasons why it should work."

Also, the financial means tests at other universities will be studied to see if a similar method could be used at the University, Tendick said.

Currently, for people to be eligible for family housing they must be full-time students and either be married or have the legal custody of a child, Tendick said. Priority is based on the applicant's expected income for the next year. This financial information is supplied by the applicant, he said.

Families are prioritized based on a formula of income level and number of dependents, Ramey said. Families with an income below the necessary level to support a given number of dependents receive first priority.

To get on a priority list an applicant with one dependent must have an income of \$12,000 or less; an applicant with two dependents, \$14,000; applicant with three dependents, \$16,000; and an applicant with four dependents, \$18,000.

When applying for family housing, prospective students must estimate their income for the following year, which creates difficulties, especially if they're from another state or country.

Ramey said one couple from Kansas who applied for family housing underestimated their income after the husband was able to get a well-paying job.

"There are problems of validation," Ramey said. "Also, whether it's legal to evict people if they're making too much money."

"Currently if a unit of family housing was open and the first person on the waiting list made a million, we would have to house them," Ramey said. "We're a self-support auxiliary service. If the unit was empty the other residents would have to pick up the bill."

The task force will release its recommendations by the end of spring term, Ramey said.

Catholic lore and legend to be discussed

MEETINGS

The **Incidental Fee Committee** will hear special requests from the Graduate Teaching Fellow Federation and EMU Budget at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday in the EMU Board Room.

Et als

College Republicans meet for a general meeting in the EMU Cedar Room E at 5:30 tonight.

Men Against Rape meets for a weekly meeting in EMU Cedar Room B at 6 p.m.

Golden Key National Honors Society officers meet for a budget meeting in Room 112 Willamette Hall from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Latin American Support Committee meets in EMU Cedar Room C at 5:30 tonight.

University/University of El Salvador Sister University Project meet in EMU Century Room C at 5:30 p.m.

RELIGION

Catholic Lore and Legend is the topic of discussion at the Newman Center, 1850 Emerald St. at noon.

Student Mass at the Neman Center, 1850 Emerald St. at 9 p.m.

"What do United Methodists Believe About Baptism?" is the question for discussion at the Wesley Foundation, 1236 Kincaid St. at 7 p.m. The discussion is sponsored by the Campus Ministry.

Moslem Student Association meets at 2 p.m. in EMU Lobby for approval of the bylaws.

EVENTS

"Danton" (1984) is the film shown in

Room 138 Gilbert Hall. The movie sponsored by the Humanities Center stars Gerard Depardieu and is the third in the film series on "Representing Revolution" about the French Revolution.

"War and Peace" Part 4 shown at 6:30 p.m. in Room 115 Pacific Hall. This film is part of the Russian Film Series and is sponsored by the University Department of Russian.

International Services is sponsoring a slide show presentation on study opportunities at the University on the South Pacific by Kathy Poole at 4 p.m. in EMU Walnut Room.

Lane Memorial Blood Bank sponsored by the Graduate Teaching Fellow Federation from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on East 13th Avenue and Kincaid. To schedule an appointment call 344-0832.

Pacific Northwest Computer Roadshow in EMU ballroom from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Computing Center's Microcomputer Support Lab and features representatives from several microcomputer companies, presentations, MIDI entertainment and prizes giveaway.

MISCELLANEOUS

CD-ROM Tutorial: International Trade Information is a session on CD-ROM. The session is in the Knight's Library Documents Department from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

CD-ROM Tutorial: Medline (medicine) is a session for those interested in learning how to use the library's computerized databases to find information in medicine. The session is in the Science Library's Reference Area at 2:30 p.m.

CD-ROM Tutorial: Psychit (psychology) is a session for those interested in learning how to use the library's computerized

database to find information in psychology. The session is in the Knight Library's Science Department at 1:30 p.m.

Student Senate Grievance Table in EMU Main Lobby from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the ASUO Student Senate.

"Applying to Law School" is a workshop for those interested in discovering the best majors and courses, and learning how to prepare for the LSAT. The workshop is in Room 164 Oregon Hall at 3:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the Academic Advising and Student Services.

Non-Traditional Students and Graduate School is a problem solving workshop and discussion session in EMU Cedar Room C and D at 1:30 p.m. For more information call Academic Learning Service 346-3220.

"Renewable Energy: an Alternative to Extinction" is the topic of a discussion at the Delrisco's Restaurant, 99 W. 10th at 12 p.m. with guest speaker Scott Lawrie, Solar Energy Association of Oregon. The discussion is sponsored by Willamette Valley Solar Energy Association. For more information call 342-6461.

Student parents who have questions about child vaccination regulations should call Kris Lawson of the Junior League of Eugene at 345-3006.

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