

# RENT STRIKE



# MORTGAGE STRIKE

## NEIGHBORS: TOGETHER WE CAN ORGANIZE A RENT STRIKE

We are all struggling to support ourselves and one another in this difficult time. We are running errands for our community members, washing our children's hands, trying to keep up with the news without losing our minds. The number of people out of work is growing every day, and we are all more financially burdened than ever. **It is common sense that no one should have to pay to be sheltered right now.** Our community's health depends on everyone's ability to shelter in place and meet their basic needs without going out.

**There's a simple way to keep everyone safe in their homes: On April 1, nobody pays.**

Without work, renters cannot afford rent and home-owners cannot afford their mortgages. Landlords who depend on their tenant's rent will also be unable to make payments. The best way to care for your neighbors now is to stop paying your mortgage, or to stop paying your rent. Demand a total freeze on all mortgage, rent, and debt payments. No late fees, no back payments, no debt accrual, no evictions, no foreclosures.

**Even if you can afford your rent or mortgage this month, there are people who can't.** By striking together, we can help protect those who are most vulnerable. If some of us don't pay now because we can't afford it, and others don't pay in the future because of lost income, we will all suffer individually. If we all refuse to pay together, we can protect everyone.

➔ Visit [TINYURL.COM/OLYRENTSTRIKE](https://tinyurl.com/olyrentstrike) to pledge to join the strike and to support anyone on strike who is threatened with eviction. You will also find a form letter to send to your landlord or mortgage company.

➔ Hang a white sheet in your window to show your solidarity. Share it on social media [#RentStrike2020](#) [#MortgageStrike2020](#)

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