



Rental Email from University Off-Campus Housing



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I know I have stopped and talked to some of you this past week. I also know that Monday is the end of your dry run. That said, I wanted to reach out again and remi make a difference in the community for the near future and the long term.

For those of you that don't know, this coming Monday night at 7:00 the Athens City Council will be voting in their meeting to either allow or not allow homeless shell Congress and Washington Streets among other areas in town. I oppose this for various reasons which I will go into briefly. I would encourage you to go to the meeti opposition and to show out in numbers to make a statement. I would also encourage you to email the members of council along with your parents to voice your con

I have a personal experience with some of the growing homeless in our city this past year. I have a building uptown with a parking garage. They would gather in the female tenants when they were coming in at night or leaving early to go to nursing clinicals. The police were never able to show up on time, it was he said she said. and tell them to get lost and not come back. I don't feel young females should have to put up with this behavior and this is the best case situation since it was just ve worry about going to your car or walking past a corner, etc.

I think it is a bad idea for many reasons however including:

- I've heard "this isn't Ohio State". I think a lot of you chose to come to school year for the safe "college town" vibe. If we start having homeless shelters in the upto threatened.

- Timothy House, a homeless shelter in Athens has vacancies but you have to abide by certain rules. Those being, random drug testing, a curfew and be on the path to

- The future enrollment will most certainly be affected. If you can remember back when you were touring Ohio and Athens, if you saw homeless shelters and homele fond of the potential experience. And maybe you would but I assure you some won't. I've been a parent of a touring college student and I would not have thought h

- If you welcome and accommodate behavior, you are encouraging that behavior. You will get more homeless people. This couldn't be more clearly demonstrated in actively trying to clean up a place that they welcomed. Once businesses and not only business in Athens, but you the students decide it is not the place for them, the

- Lastly and most importantly, you should feel safe and be safe. I would not want my daughter to have to walk past this during the day and especially at night. If it ju someone being physically harmed.

Again, I would encourage all of you to attend the meeting. Obviously you all don't have to speak but the shear numbers will make the point. I would again also enco council members and explain to them why you think it is a bad idea.

Three of the members are up for re-election later this year and I would go far to inform them that if they vote for this, that you as students will organize a campaign i understand.

I apologize for any misspelled words etc. I wanted to get this out today. The emails for council are below:

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Have a fun and safe weekend!

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