

Dear Landlord,

As a valued provider of quality housing, The Regional Housing Consortium is inviting you to attend a small Focus Group meeting of landlords on:

November 14th from 8:30 am to 10:30 am.

The meeting will be held at:

River Stone Inn in Wysox, Pa.

Breakfast will be served. The meeting will be facilitated by Diana T. Myers and Associates, a private consulting firm, with funding from the Pennsylvania Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

The Regional Housing Consortium is a four county (Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna and Tioga) cooperative effort of public and private housing providers and agencies which serve populations in need of safe, affordable and accessible housing. One of our goals is to provide support services and funding opportunities to property owners who are interested in renting to people with disabilities and people with other special housing needs. We believe that such a collaborative effort will result in positive experiences for all the involved parties.

One purpose of this focus group is to identify barriers landlords encounter when providing rental units to persons with disabilities. We are interested in learning about your experiences, both negative and positive. Another purpose is to introduce you to resources that can benefit you as a landlord. We believe that together we can create a mutually beneficial partnership to remove obstacles and increase housing opportunities. Please be assured that any information you share will be kept confidential and will be used only to further the mission of maximizing housing choices for people with disabilities.

We would appreciate your response as to whether or not you will be able to join us on **November 14th**. Please call Cindy at **1-800-982-4346** no later than 11/7/08 to confirm your attendance. Enclosed you will find a questionnaire about your rental units. Even if you cannot attend the Forum we would appreciate your time in completing the questionnaire and returning it by 11/7/08.

Thank you for your cooperation in this important project.

Sincerely,

William Farley
Director
BSST Area Agency on Aging

