

For more on drug related behaviors:

TOGETHER! Drug Prevention Organization
www.thurstontogether.org/resources/meth.htm

National Institute on Drug Abuse
www.drugabuse.gov

For more on signs of a drug lab:

The M Files: Meth & Marijuana Resource Tool
www.mfiles.org

If you suspect a drug lab on your property contact:

- Local Law Enforcement
- Anonymous Meth Hotline
1-888-609-6384



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Preventing Drug Labs on **RENTAL** Property



Small changes can protect your investment

Be Aware

To Avoid Costly Damage

FACTS

- Over half of residential drug labs are found on rental property.
- Property owners are responsible for decontamination costs.

When drug criminals operate on rental property, owners pay a high price:

- Loss of rent
- Civil penalties
- Damaged property
- Decline in property values
- Dangerous, threatening tenants
- Resentful and angry neighbors

Take Action

To Protect Your Property

At the time of rental application:

- Ensure application is complete
- Conduct background check for:
 - Rental history
 - Employment history
 - Credit report
 - Criminal background
- Meet every adult moving into the unit and require picture identification
- Be aware of applicant's appearance and behaviors

Regularly maintain your property:

- Drive by the property
- Schedule visits with tenants
- Talk with neighbors