Dear Property Owner,

The UVM Office of Student & Community Relations provides resources to students so that they have safe and healthy living situations when they move off campus. We welcome your partnership in this effort as providers of off-campus housing.

For our part, we educate our students about renting in Burlington through our “Off Campus Living Survival Guide” and our “Off Campus Living Workshops.” The workshops are held in the fall semester for UVM sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are transitioning to off campus living. The goal of the workshops is to help prepare UVM students for a successful off-campus living experience by providing them with information and access to helpful people and resources. A key component of the workshops is to educate students about their rights and responsibilities as renters and as members of the Burlington community. Students are also encouraged to explore strategies for building and contributing to neighborhood and community life off campus.

These workshops are completely voluntary and students who attend are given a “UVM Preferred Renter Card” to signify that they took the time and effort to be more knowledgeable about their rights and responsibilities as renters and as Burlington citizens. Obtaining this card shows that the students went above and beyond the vast majority of their peers and took the extra steps necessary to learn how to be a responsible and informed tenant. The card is our way of informing a potential landlord of their effort.

The back of this letter includes a sample “UVM Preferred Renter Card” so you have and idea of what it looks like.

If you have any questions about the UVM Preferred Renter Card program, the Off Campus Living Workshops, or to learn more about how to post and advertisement on our new UVM Off-Campus Housing Website, please call 656-1103 or email Gail.Shampnois@uvm.edu.

Thank you!

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The UNIVERSITY of VERMONT
Student & Community Relations
PREFERRED RENTER CARD
This card signifies that I have completed the
University of Vermont Off-Campus Living Workshop.

Print Name ____________________________

Signature ____________________________ Date __________

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Burlington Resources:
Vermont Tenants Inc. – 864-0099
Burlington Code Enforcement – 863-0442
Burlington Police Department – 658-2704 (emergency 911)

UVM Resources:
Student and Community Relations – 656-1183
Counseling Center – 656-3340
Health Center – 656-3350
Women’s Center – 656-7892
LGBTQA Services – 656-8637
ALANA Center – 656-3819
Academic Support Programs/ACCESS – 656-4075