

Statement on Taking the STPCVTA Facebook Group Private

Dear Group members,

After careful consideration, the Board of the STPCV Tenants Association has decided to make this group private, to encourage more discussion, while keeping a measure of privacy for members.

What's the difference between a public Facebook group and a private Facebook group?

A **public** Facebook group, as the name indicates, is an open group that anybody on Facebook can easily find by searching Facebook and the internet, and can view the content of the group with the comments. Anyone can see the posts in a Facebook public group's timeline.

In a **private** Facebook group, only members of the group can see posts and comments. This protects group members when they provide private information, such as building numbers, and any other information that may be of concern about being shared publicly.

All members of the Tenants Association group are expected to keep information in this group private and not share it elsewhere, unless they have the permission of the poster/commenter. No screenshots of posts and comments should be shared elsewhere without the permission of the person making them.

The Board of the Tenants Association participates in and monitors this group and can take issues of concern to Management to address and discuss. We encourage you to DM the Admins and send messages via the TA Message Center at www.stpcvta.org.

The intention of the group is to have calm, reasoned, productive discussion and share information and help one another. This is NOT the place to rant, blame groups of tenants ("Students!" "Sunbathers!" "Children!," etc.), for commercial activity, fundraising, nor an event that is not specifically tenant related.

If your comment or post is unkind, not constructive, unhelpful, snarky and/or rude, it will be deleted, and it may be grounds for your post not being approved, and for your suspension or removal from the group.

Our shared goal is to encourage useful, helpful, and informative conversations, and we hope that members will feel freer to participate going forward.

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