

## **Madison Police Department**

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Mr. Tiedt,

As a member of the East Police District Command staff, one of my primary responsibilities is to review and analyze calls for police service and initiate problem-solving efforts when appropriate. This is a consistent practice throughout all Madison Police Department districts. We have identified a pattern of calls for police service originating from your residence on Metro Terrace that warrants your attention.

My staff and I have examined the calls for police service maintained by the Madison Police Department for your properties. Our records indicate that since January 1<sup>st</sup> 2019, there were:

• Twenty-seven (27) calls for police service related to 141 Metro Terrace #106

Some of these calls were a result of Community Policing Team follow-up and pro-active patrol. However, many of these calls directly relate to Larissa Tied which involved drug activity, prostitution, and multiple disturbances. Frequent calls for police service to a building can adversely affect surrounding properties and citizens, creating a public nuisance. Both State law (chapter 823 of the Wisconsin Statutes) and Madison City Ordinance (section 25.09 of the Madison General Ordinances) authorize the City to pursue legal action against owners of properties that constitute a public nuisance.

The Madison Police Department seeks to work cooperatively with businesses and property owners/managers on the early identification of issues in order to effectively address potential problem situations. We assist businesses in identifying administrative practices that may contribute to crime. Similarly, we have identified certain strategies – such as the thorough screening of potential tenants – that can help residential property owners/managers appropriately manage their properties.

We are aware that the problems involving your property are directly related to your daughter Larissa Tiedt and her visitors to this residence. It appears as though she has moved out of your property which will hopefully abate the problem. However based upon the number and type of calls for service involved, we are concerned that if she returns, problems for your neighbors will continue and police calls for service will increase. We wish to work with you to improve the situation rather than having to initiate any legal action. Please contact Lt. Joey Skenandore at 266-9112 to schedule a meeting or to discuss possible strategies to improve your property.

Sincerely,

Tom Snyder, Captain of Police Madison Police Department, East District

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