

Are Landlords the problem? My tenant, a single mother with two children, ages one and twelve lived in my rental on a voucher. She was placed on the transplant list for a heart, had an emergency and was hospitalized. **She would never again return to her home.** She was on a machine waiting for a heart. The tenant's mother moved into the home to care for the minor children. **A year later, the tenant passed away;** Her grieving mother contacted the section 8 voucher program to ask about transferring the children to a housing voucher so they could remain" in the same home following the recent death of their mother. The request was denied. **"Grandmother being in the home to care for the children was considered a violation."** Section 8 voucher program said they would withdraw the \$12,000.00 they paid during this timeframe from my account. **I did not have \$12,000.00 in my account.** However, I had other tenants on vouchers, therefore they deducted voucher payments they owed me for other tenants until the entire amount was repaid. This almost ruined me. I allowed the grandmother and children to remain in the home at below market rent which caused another hit to my business. I am not a non-profit. Landlords are not the problem. **Fix the problem.** Landlords are not the problem, they are an easy, quiet target. The family remained in the home until the oldest graduated high school, and the youngest was given custody to her father. vouchers