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Tips & Tricks

When deciding where to live, there are many factors to take into account. As you begin searching for your new home, here are some things to consider:



Determine how much you are able to spend on rent.

- Investigate apartment prices.
- Talk to roommates.
- Determine what utilities (water, electricity, WiFi, cable, etc.) are included.
- Ask about deposit costs.

Do not sign apartment paperwork unless you understand it.

- Do not be afraid to ask questions!
- Once you sign paperwork, you are legally and financially bound to fulfill the contract.
- Identify costs of terminating your lease early (if possible).





Visit several properties.

- Compare available options.
- See what makes each property different.
- Ask to take a tour of the property (if available)
- Ask for the rules about subleasing, amenities, maintenance, safety, parking, history of rent increases.



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Get to know your roommate(s).

- Ask about their personality.
- Set common rules.
- Identify what costs will be shared.
- Do you/your roommate(s) stay up late or wake up early?
- Do you/your roommate(s) have a pet?
- Do you/your roommate(s) have any allergies?

Consider accessibility to public transportation.

- The HART Bus System does not run through USF. Click here to learn more.
- The USF Bull Runner Bus System does run through USF and is free for USF students to use. Click here to learn more.
- Streets near USF that the USF Bull Runner Bus System stops at:
 - 22nd St.
- 50th St.
- 42nd St.
- Bougainvillea Ave.
- 46th St.
- McKinley Dr.



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Off-Campus Housing Options

Where students live significantly impacts how successful they are at INTO USF. While living on campus is an excellent option for getting acclimated to the university community, we understand that it is not the best fit for every student. Below are some off campus options where you may want to consider living:



Affiliated Properties are apartment complexes near USF.

- Recommended by USF as the next best option to living oncampus.
- Have working relationship with the University of South Florida
- · Offer many amenities and offer monthly-rate leases
- For more information on Affiliated Properties, click here.

University of South Florida Off-Campus Housing Service

- Allows apartment complexes and individuals to list available leases
- Subleases with various lease lengths are also posted on this site
- For more information on the University of South Florida Off-Campus Housing Service, click here.





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