

# **Edgewood College**

## **Off-Campus Housing Resources**



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**Please feel free to take an informational packet on  
the following topics:**

- ✓ **Off-Campus Housing Resources**
- ✓ **Information about the Vilas Neighborhood**
- ✓ **Housing Check-List for living off-campus**
- ✓ **Tenant Resource Center Information**



## Off-Campus Housing

*Below is a listing of some suggested resources for finding off campus housing.*

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### Start Renting

You may call the office at (608) 251-RENT for housing listings or access their website at [www.startrenting.com](http://www.startrenting.com). These listing are also available at most Madison supermarkets.

### Apartment Showcase

Apartment showcase is a published listing of apartments in the Madison area that is available at most Madison supermarkets as well as online at [www.aptshowcase.com](http://www.aptshowcase.com).

### UW Campus Information and Visitor Center (CIVC): Campus Area Housing Listing Service.

This service provides housing and vacancy listings of apartments, houses, efficiencies, rooms and private residence halls for rent. You may access their web site at <http://housing.civc.wisc.edu> or call them at (608) 263-2400.

### Madison Newspapers

You may search the classified ads in the Capitol Times or Wisconsin State Journal at newsstands or by going to [www.madison.com](http://www.madison.com).

### Isthmus

Madison's weekly newspaper provides numerous housing listings. This paper is available at 500 locations in Madison, including our own Wingra Café. You can access their web site at [www.thedailypage.com](http://www.thedailypage.com)

### Madison Campus & Downtown Living

*Searching for Great Places to Live and Have Fun in Downtown Madison Has Never Been Easier!*

In a user friendly format, [www.cdliving.com](http://www.cdliving.com) provides a simple way to navigate through a wide variety of living options. You'll also find many hot spots for great food, drinks and entertainment. Access to floorplans, extra photos, and a resource to request additional information is all available online.

### Steve Brown Apartments

[www.stevebrownapts.com/](http://www.stevebrownapts.com/)

### RentalHomesPlus.com

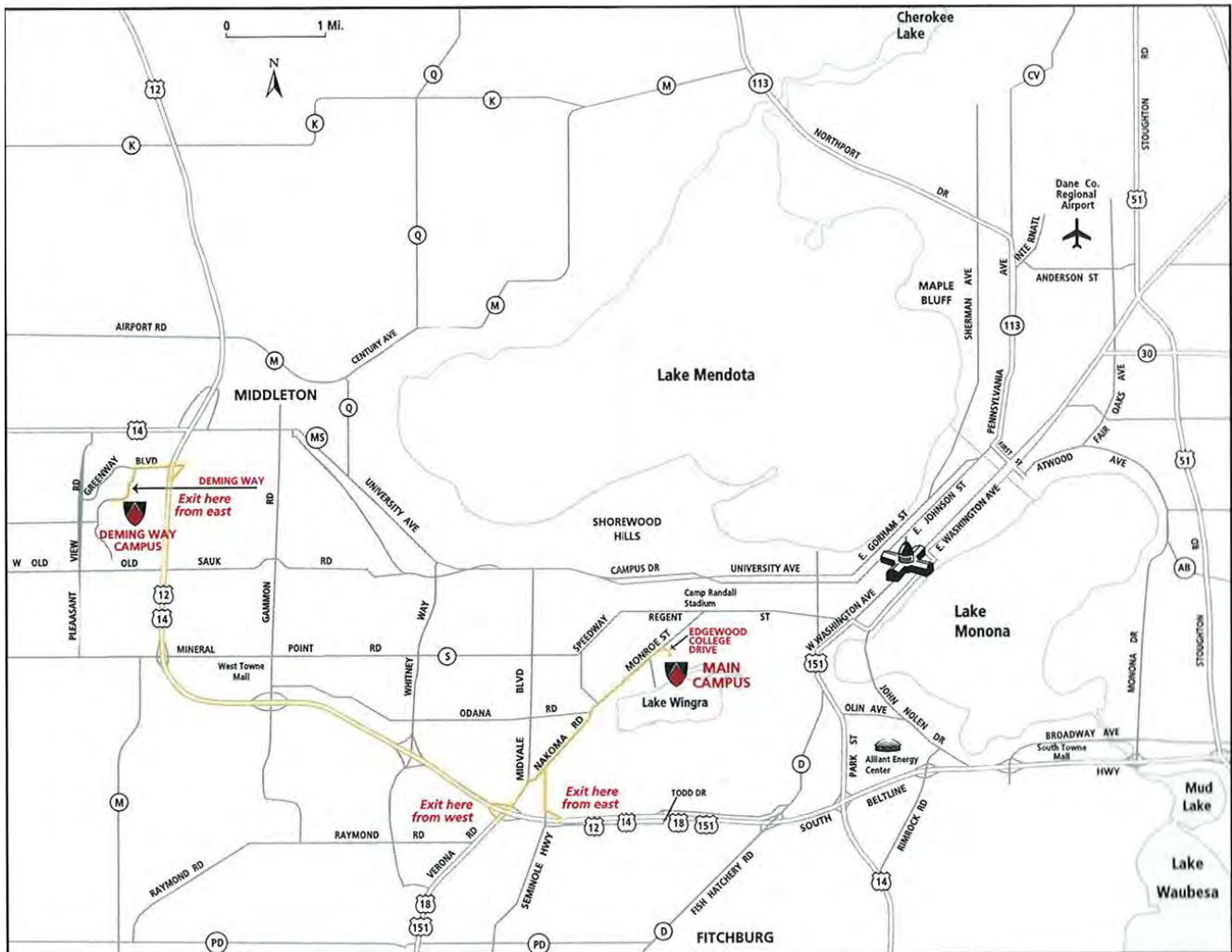
[Rental Homes Plus](http://www.rentalhomesplus.com) is a partner with Apartments.com, and offers a Free rental search for rental houses, condos for rent, and townhouse rentals in and around the Madison Wisconsin area.

### Rentrodger.com

[Rentdodger.com](http://www.rentrodger.com) is the only place on the web catering specifically to all of Madison's Downtown and Campus Area rental needs. They offer complete access to a wide variety of downtown apartments, campus area houses, and flats. They also provide many free services such as our Sublet Search and Post, and Roommate Search and Post.

# General Information about the Edgewood/Vilas Neighborhood

- Located just south of Regent Street and east of Monroe Street, the Vila area includes Meriter and St. Mary's Hospitals as well as access to the UW Arboretum.
- Henry Vilas Zoo is located along Lake Wingra.
- Housing in the Vilas area is a mix of private residences and older houses converted to rental units.
- There are smaller apartment complexes located in this area as well.



# Housing Checklist

*It is recommended that you look at 3-4 rental properties before you find the one that's best for you.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Location to \_\_\_\_\_

Campus: \_\_\_\_\_

Move-in Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Move-out Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Moving In/Out:**

Rent	\$	Date Due		Is there a late fee ?	\$
Security Deposit	\$	Co-Signer		Length of Lease	

***Owner/agent of dwelling unit MUST provide a copy of the license at the beginning of tenancy!***

**Location and Parking:**

How many blocks to campus?		How many off-street parking spots?	
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**Utilities and Services:**

	Landlord	Tennant		Landlord	Tenant
Heat/Electric			Internet/TV		
Water/Sewer			Snow Removal		
Garbage/Disposal			Lawn Care		

***You will want to get an estimate on monthly cost from the local utility company for the previous month.***

**Things to look for.**

**It is recommended that you take along a flashlight, light bulb, hairdryer and pen.**

Number of bedrooms		Check outlets	
Number of bathrooms		Check sockets	
Do you want roommates, if so how many?		Do smoke detectors work?	
Is there laundry in the buiding?		Is there a fire distinguisher?	
Turn on each light switch to see if it works.		Is smoking allowed? Are pets allowed?	
Are there deadbolts on exterior doors?		Who's responsible for maintenance?	
Pus on windows-are they secure?		Will you feel safe in this location?	
Check for window storms & screens		Can I sublease?	
Check conditions of furnace		Turn on faucets-leaks, drainage, pressure	
Look at water heater to see if it's leaking		Flush toilets-check for leaks	



1202 Williamson Street, Suite 102, Madison, WI 53703 | Rental Rights (608) 257-0006 | Administration (608) 257-0143 |  
Fax (608) 286-0804

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Tenant Resource Center (TRC) offers free housing counseling for tenants and landlords interested in learning more about their rental rights and responsibilities under Wisconsin law.

Information on state and local rental laws and regulations and lease screening services are available at TRC. We can also refer clients to other agencies when appropriate to assist them with their needs. Please see the links on the left for more information on a variety of topics. Call or visit any TRC office for individual assistance, on a walk-in basis, no appointment necessary.

### **MADISON OFFICE**

Walk-In: 1202 Williamson Street, Suite 102, Madison, WI 53703

Hours: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Monday - Friday

Phone: (608) 257-0006

Fax: (608) 286-0804

To reach the Madison office, toll-free, from anywhere outside of Dane County: 1-877-238-RENT

EN ESPAÑOL: El Centro de Recursos para Inquilinos atiende consultas telefónicas y consultas personales en inglés y en español, sin necesidad de cita previa, de lunes a viernes de 9:00 a.m. a 6:00 p.m. en el # 1202 Williamson St, oficina 102 en Madison, teléfono 608-257-0006. Ahora contamos también con un Consejero de Vivienda disponible específicamente para atender a clientes que hablan español, los días lunes, miércoles y jueves de 12:00 a 6:00 p.m. a partir del lunes 9 de agosto del 2010.

### **WEB-SITE:**

<http://www.tenantresourcecenter.org/>