



SECOND UNIT AMNESTY PROGRAM

At a regularly scheduled meeting on July 11, 2007 the Fairfax Town Council approved an ordinance adopting a Second Unit Amnesty Program for the period from August 11, 2007 to August 11, 2008. This program offers incentives for property owner to register existing unpermitted units by demonstrating safe and habitable dwelling conditions. The program also offers incentives for the development of new second units through a reduction in fees.

WHY DO I WANT A SECOND UNIT AMNESTY PERMIT?

There are many unpermitted second units in Fairfax which may or may not meet basic health and safety guidelines. This Amnesty is intended to encourage healthy and safe conditions in existing units. This is an opportunity to legalize unpermitted second units for half the permitting cost. Some permit standards have been modified to accommodate existing buildings. A legal second unit can increase your property value. At the close of the Amnesty period, properties found in violation of Town Code will be required to comply with more stringent Second Unit development standards, and increased fees will be assessed.

Please contact the Planning and Building Department at 415-453-1584 if you have any question regarding legalizing of your second unit.