"I was up against a wall with my rent payments and the folks from Tenant Defense Alliance really came through for me."

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### What is the Tenant Defense Alliance?

Kansas City, MO passed an ordinance that guarantees tenants a right to counsel in eviction court. There are now a legion of lawyers dedicated to defending tenants in court. Why? Having an attorney means the difference between families being housed or on the streets. The Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom is helping to recruit and train lawyers for the program cross-organizationally and refers to these lawyers collectively as "the Tenant Defense Alliance."

#### **Courtroom Champions**

The Heartland Center's ambitious training program equips attorneys with strong advocacy skills. As a tenants' rights lawyer you will learn the craft of practicing law. Eviction defense attorneys rigorously defend clients in trial, handle sophisticated motion practice, negotiate creative, win-win settlement agreements, and hold landlords accountable for housing conditions and other abuses. Because the stakes are so high in eviction court, the Tenant Defense Alliance ensures that attorneys have the support they need to succeed.

## Why Seek Employment as a Tenant Defense Attorney?

Join us if you want to do work that is incredibly impactful upon the lives of poor and working class people, many of whom are people of color. Until recently, less than 1% of tenants had lawyers and thousands lost their cases and were unceremoniously forced onto the streets each year. We are turning those statistics on their head, stopping most evictions that get filed. Thanks to Tenants' Defense Alliance attorneys , the courtroom is being transformed from a place of mass defeat to a center of advocacy and justice. If you want to be part of this historic change, **consider applying now**:

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