

# Form 25: Sample Letter from Tenant Group to Landlord

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\_\_\_\_\_ **TENANT ASSOCIATION**  
c/o \_\_\_\_\_ (name of organization and phone number)

December 5, 2024

*Landlord's Name*  
*Landlord's Address*

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

We are residents of \_\_\_\_\_ (*city/town*) who make our homes in a building, which you purchased almost two years ago, \_\_\_\_\_ (*address*). Some of us have recently received very large rent increases of up to 50%. With the help of \_\_\_\_\_ (*organization that is helping tenants*), we have formed a tenant association.

We know you are in business to make maximum profit, but these increases are excessive. These rent increases would force us out of our homes and disrupt our families. We must find a balance between your goal of maximizing profits and our goal of keeping our homes and preserving our community.

Many of us have lived in this building for a long time, some for almost 30 years. \_\_\_\_\_ (*city/town/neighborhood*) is our community. We have connections (*insert any community-based connections here*), churches, and family here.

We would like to set up negotiations between yourself and representatives of our tenant association to try to find the fair balance. Many tenant associations in the Boston have met with owners and negotiated multi-year agreements that gave a fair return to owners, provided security to resident families, and increased neighborhood stability. We seek to make such an agreement here.

You can contact our tenant association by calling the number listed below or sending an email to our Tenant Association leader/organizer.

Sincerely,

(*tenant signatures*)

cc. *Names of City Councilors*  
*Mayor*  
*State Senator*  
*State Representative*  
*Local Religious Leader*  
*Local Community Leader*

