

# YOUR HOME SHOULD BE VOUR SAFE PLACE.

Do you feel threatened in your home? Can't get rid of unwanted guests? You have every right to take back your place.

#### WHAT IS A HOME TAKEOVER?

A takeover is when a friend, relative or someone you know takes over your home. They may use it to crash, sell drugs, do illegal activities or steal from you. As the tenant, you are responsible for what happens in your home.

A home takeover could happen to you, your neighbour or someone you care about. You need to get help. It's important to know the warning signs and what you can do about them.

# HOW THEY HOOK YOU:

- Ask to crash on the couch
- Give free dope or clear your debt

Offer women for sexual favoursOffer protection

# PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT YOU DON'T:

- Ask for your keys
- Eat all your food
- Take your phone

- Use your shower without permission
- Threaten or hurt you
- Sell drugs or do other illegal stuff
- Steal your things
- Sexually assault you
- Force you out of your home

# STAY SAFE:

- Don't let others deal drugs in your home.
- Don't let too many people into your place at once.
- Never give your phone or keys to someone else.

If you feel that your neighbour or someone you know is in danger, take action and get help. Don't let someone take over their home, or yours.

## HOW TO TAKE ACTION:

- Don't keep it a secret.
- Get out if you can.
- Call:
  - » Someone you trust
  - » Your support worker
  - » Your landlord
  - » Ottawa Police Service 613-236-1222 x 7300
- If you think your life is in danger, call 911.

# DON'T LET OTHERS COME IN AND TAKE OVER YOUR HOME.