Grinnell’s housing market includes many housing options and most are quite affordable.

**Buying a Home in the Grinnell Community**

Grinnell’s housing market includes modern luxury homes, restored Victorians, traditional ranch houses, and country farmhouses.

If you would like to purchase a home, the Poweshiek County Multiple Listing Service website, www.poweshiekmls.com, provides up-to-date, single-source access to current listings by all the principal area realtors.

**Renting a Home in the Grinnell Community**

If your preference is to rent housing, Grinnell’s choices include apartment complexes, duplexes, efficiency apartments, rental houses, and downtown lofts.

To find local rental units it is best to contact local realtors directly. Searching yellowpages.com for real estate agents in Grinnell, Iowa will produce a list of current agencies to contact.

Additional rental listings may also be found in the local newspapers and by subscribing to the Grinnell Chamber of Commerce e-newsletter at chamber@getintogrinnell.com.

For additional information, please contact:

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Grinnell College
Grinnell, Iowa 50112-1690

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Grinnell College Housing
for New Faculty and Staff

College-Owned Rentals
Grinnell College owns a limited number of unfurnished rental units which are available to newly hired faculty and staff who are relocating from outside the community. College provided housing is intended to offer transitional housing, allowing newly hired employees time to find permanent homes in the community. The houses include two, three, and four bedroom houses. College rental properties are managed by Grinnell Property Management LLC (http://www.grinnellrentals.com). Joyce Halblom is a licensed real estate broker with Grinnell Property Management and can be reached at jhalblom@gmail.com or 641-236-7777.

House Details
- Most units have washer and dryer hook-ups; the machines are not provided.
- All units have air conditioning (some have central air, while others have window units).
- Most furnaces are gas, a few are electric.
- All units have off-street parking (some have a driveway and/or one- or two-car garages).
- Cable television is available in all units at the tenant’s expense. Prior approval is necessary if installation is required.

Rental Policies
- Units are leased to new faculty and staff on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Small (under 35 lbs.) dogs and cats are allowed in most units. Prior notification and a nonrefundable pet fee is required.
- No more than two pets are allowed.
- Lawn care and snow removal are provided by the College. All other yard work is the responsibility of the tenant.

Rental Deposits
- There will be a security/damage deposit for standard renters.
- For those with pets there will be an additional nonrefundable pet fee.
- Deposits and fees are due in full prior to possession.
- Deposits, or portions thereof, are refunded after final inspection of the vacated unit and verification that final utility and water bills have been paid in full and transferred back into the College’s name.

Rental Leases
- Leases take effect the month of possession.
- The first month’s rent will be pro-rated if possession is after the 6th of the month.
- All leases end June 30.
- Tenants are limited to a one-year lease.
- Early release from lease obligations is available to those who are leaving their College rental unit in order to purchase a home located within the 50112 Zip Code. Otherwise leases run until June 30.

Rental Rates
- Rental rates are market-based and comparable to the housing market in Grinnell.
- Rates are based upon the size of the unit and the amenities offered.

Please note that this summary is only intended as an overview of the rental program. The detailed language of the lease governs specific details regarding the rental of College-owned units. Grinnell College reserves the right to add, change, or terminate any provisions addressed in this summary overview.

To learn more about available units, contact Joyce Halblom at Grinnell Property Management LLC at jhalblom@gmail.com or 641-236-7777.