

HOUSING ON THE WEB

Whether you are in the Boston area or on the West Coast, one of the best ways to do an apartment search is to do an internet search. This will help you see what the Boston area apartment market is like. Here are a number of different websites that you can access!

www.ase.tufts.edu/och -- The Tufts University Off-Campus Housing Resource Center website is run by the administration on the Medford Campus. It is primarily geared towards the undergraduate population, but it provides detailed information on tenant rights, information about the Boston area, and many other things that are useful for anyone looking for an apartment. There are also listings for apartments on this site, mainly concentrated in the Medford/Somerville area. You may not find an apartment on this site, but there is a treasure trove of useful information to help you in your search.

www.bostonapartments.com -- This site has a lot of information! You can do apartment searches as well as find general information about moving or information about Boston and its surrounding cities. There is even a way to search for pet-friendly apartments. It has great links to specific realtor sites (*Listings* → *Agency Web Pages*), as well as hotel & motel lists to help you plan your visit. Please note that many of the listings may not be available because the site is not updated often enough to suit the speed of the Boston apartment market.

www.boston.com/realestate -- Boston Globe newspaper website for apartment listings. Anything that is listed in this Boston area newspaper will be here. In addition to housing information, you can find some basic information about Boston here. Chances are your search will turn up many repeat listings, so be patient.

www.boston.craigslist.org -- The consummate user-driven website has tons of listings for the Boston area. The best feature is that you can search by “no fee” apartments. Be aware that lots of realtors don’t advertise their status to get you to contact them, and then sell you on other apartments.

www.justrentals.com -- Boston’s Just Rentals Apartment Rental Magazine is the oldest, most comprehensive and useful apartment finders guide. This site is the on-line version of the monthly paper publication. In addition to apartment listings, you will find links to area services and roommate matching programs.

www.rent.com -- A national web site run by eBay with extensive search capabilities. They require an email address to search, but this puts you only on an email list to receive weekly updated listings in your area of interest. You can opt out of the weekly emails at any time.