

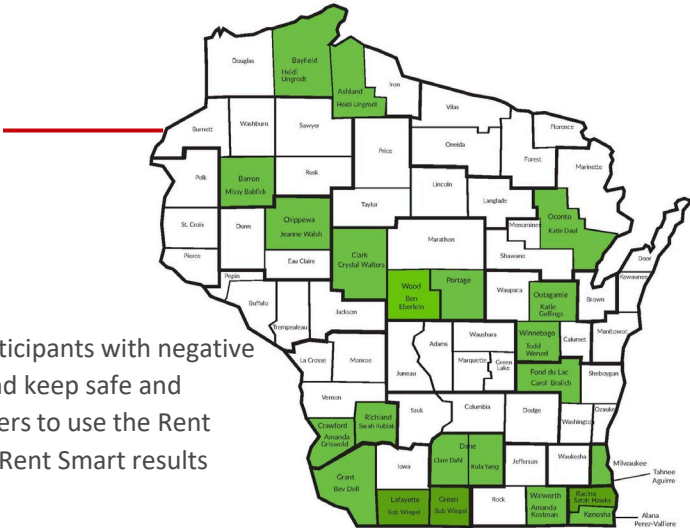


**Extension**  
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

## Rent Smart



Rent Smart is a six-session course that helps participants with negative or limited rental records gain the skills to find and keep safe and affordable housing. We also train service providers to use the Rent Smart program with their clients. See below for Rent Smart results from 2025.



**99.6%**

The course will or might help them obtain appropriate housing

**99.2%**

The course will or might help them keep future housing

**94%**

Who moved since the course say new housing is safer, more affordable, and/or better quality

**94%**

of community service providers feel moderately or definitely able to help clientele find affordable and quality housing

**97%**

of community service providers feel moderately or definitely able to help clientele sustain housing once it's acquired.

## What people are saying

- “Before I would just do one walk thru of how the apartment look then just accept it. Rent Smart taught me to ask questions confidently and what things to check and look out for since this will be the place that we make our home.”
- “I began to note everything prior to moving in and taking pictures of everything in the home. I used the template Rent Smart provided so the landlord and I both know the damages that were there already.”
- “After taking Rent Smart I make my rent payment my priority.”