Legal Education in the Community: The Rights and Responsibilities of the Family Home Key Takeaways

Module 4: Transferring Property



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Key Takeaways

- 1. Ways to transfer your property to your children or selected persons include transferring at death via a will or transferring the property into a trust via transfer at death titling.
- 2. Estate planning is an essential part of homeownership. Hiring an attorney is an important way to make sure that your property is transferred to the party that you want to inherit the property.



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Key Takeaways

- 1. Foreclosure occurs when a homeowner fails to make the necessary payments under their mortgage and the lender seeks an order from a court to sell the home and evict the tenants.
- 2. Common violations of a lease that may lead to a landlord seeking eviction can include failure to pay rent, playing music too loudly, or violating other rules and conditions of the lease.
- 3. Organizations such as Legal Aid Chicago and Lawyers Committee for Better Housing can provide homeowners with legal services in the event of foreclosure and eviction.