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Burien families get boot

By law, low-income Seattle tenants whose apartments are being renovated get \$2,829 in moving money from the city. But if you live in Burien, you get zip.

That's the situation faced by about 750 families at Burien's Vintage Park Apartments. A new owner bought the four-building complex in mid-January and plans to turn its 543 low-cost units into market-rate apartments at rents that could force out the complex's mostly Latino families, says Laura Silverstein of New Futures, a nonprofit that provides English classes and tutoring there.

The rehab will take two to three years to complete, and agencies such as New Futures are currently meeting to figure out what help they can offer. But, says Silverstein, "We're just not sure where they're going to go."

—Cydny Gillis