

## **HOUSING, 1985, 2006**

Following a two-year study of housing in Emporia and housing codes in comparable communities, the League of Women Voters of Emporia concluded that a minimum housing code would be beneficial to both landlords and tenants, and would serve to maintain the quality of housing. The League recommends that Emporia adopt a code patterned after the Uniform Housing Code, prepared and published by the International Conference of Building Officials. (Other codes—the Uniform Building Code and the Uniform Mechanical Code—prepared by that organization are already in place in the city.)

The LWVE should take the initiative in the creation of a citizen's committee, made of landlords, tenants, real estate professionals, representatives of home loan agencies, neighborhood associations, and other appropriate parties to adapt the Uniform Code to be consistent with requirements of Emporia's circumstances. Such a code should be compatible with the Emporia-Lyon County Long Range Plan (comprehensive plan).