Where you live affects every part of your life. It will determine where you shop, where you work, and where your children go to school. If you are prevented from living in the neighborhood you choose because of discrimination, report it! Illegal practices hurt everyone.

Housing discrimination is illegal throughout the State of Connecticut. It is against the law to deny anyone housing based on:

- Race
- Color
- National Origin
- Sex
- Ancestry
- Religion
- · Children or Family Status
- Mental or Physical Disability
- Marital Status
- · Age (except minors)
- Sexual Orientation
- Legal Source of Income (refusing to accept Section 8, for example)
- · Gender Identity or Expression

What Does Discrimination Look Like?

Misrepresenting the availability of housing: A landlord, owner, or real estate agent tells you that the apartment, house, or condominium is not available, when in fact it has not been rented or sold.

Refusals to rent or sell: A landlord or real estate professional refuses to rent or sell to you because you are a member of one of the protected groups listed to the left.

Discrimination in terms and conditions:

You are given different terms or rules than others because you are a member of one of the protected groups listed to the left.

Discriminatory Advertising: Any written statement in a newspaper or oral statement that indicates preferences or limitations for certain people. This includes any ad or brochure that is created by the owner of the property.

Use of threats, intimidation or coercion:

Someone attempts to prevent you from renting or buying a house in a neighborhood by suggesting that you will not be safe or that neighbors may not want you to move in.

If you or someone you know has experienced housing discrimination call the Connecticut Fair Housing Center now.

We will:

- Investigate your complaint;
- Offer advice and counseling about the fair housing laws; and
- Provide free legal representation to the victims of housing discrimination.

Complaints can be resolved through advocacy and negotiation or through legal representation.

Most importantly, the Connecticut Fair Housing Center will try to make sure that what happened to you will not happen to anyone else!



The Connecticut Fair Housing Center, Inc. is a statewide nonprofit organization, working to ensure that all Connecticut residents have access to the housing of their choice free from discrimination.

The Center investigates claims of housing discrimination in violation of federal and state fair housing statutes; assists claimants in litigation and/or administrative enforcement actions and conducts testing to determine compliance with federal and state laws. The Center provides fair housing education to organizations, housing providers, and community groups. The Center also works with homeowners in danger of losing their homes to foreclosure by holding classes on self-representation, assisting with mortgage modifications, and providing legal representation.

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The Connecticut Fair Housing Center is a statewide nonprofit civil rights organization dedicated to identifying, challenging and eliminating discrimination in housing through education, research, testing, counseling, enforcement and advocacy.

Housing Discrimination Is Illegal!

Know Your Rights!

