



## FAIR HOUSING PROGRAM

Equal access to housing for all is a right protected by law. Fair Housing laws allow you to obtain the housing of your choice, free from illegal discrimination.

### YOU ARE PROTECTED BY FEDERAL, STATE AND CITY LAW.

#### FEDERAL LAW

*prohibits discrimination based on:*

- Race
- Color
- Religion
- National Origin
- Sex (*Gender*)
- Disability
- Familial Status  
*(Households with one or more children under age 18)*

#### STATE LAW

*adds protections against discrimination based on:*

- Ancestry
- Citizenship, Immigration Status
- Primary Language
- Marital Status
- Sexual Orientation
- Age
- Medical Condition
- Genetic Information
- Gender Identity, Expression
- Military or Veteran Status
- Other Arbitrary Status

#### CITY LAW *also prohibits discrimination based on:*

**Source of Income** (*including rental assistance*)

The City of San Diego's Municipal Code protects tenants from being denied housing solely because they receive rental assistance, such as Section 8 Housing Vouchers, paid directly to the renter, landlord or representative of either.

### COMMON VIOLATIONS OF FAIR HOUSING LAW

- Refusal to rent, lease, or sell housing
- Sexual harassment involving unwanted sexual advances or requiring sexual favors for housing rights or privileges
- Discriminatory policies, practices, terms or conditions that result in unequal access to housing or housing-related services
- Refusal to permit reasonable modifications to a dwelling space or common use area, at the tenant's expense, when necessary to accommodate a disability
- Refusal to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies, practices or services, when necessary to accommodate a disability
- Denial of homeowner's insurance or home loan

# YOU ARE PROTECTED AGAINST HOUSING DISCRIMINATION



## PRACTICE FAIR HOUSING

Denying an individual the opportunity to rent or buy housing, purchase homeowners insurance or obtain a mortgage loan based on a protected status is discrimination under the law.

**FAIR HOUSING HOTLINE 1-844-449-3500**

### REPORT VIOLATIONS

The City has engaged Legal Aid Society of San Diego Inc. to provide FREE community outreach and legal services.

**FAIR HOUSING CENTER  
LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF SAN DIEGO INC.  
110 S. Euclid Ave., San Diego, CA 92114**



*If you think you have experienced housing discrimination or harassment, contact the Fair Housing Center within one year of the incident. Follow these steps:*

- 1. Call the Fair Housing Hotline at 1-844-449-3500.*
- 2. Speak with a housing counselor about the incident.*
- 3. If merited, your complaint will be referred to a legal representative for an impartial investigation.*
- 4. If your complaint is accepted, an attempt will be made to assist both parties in resolving the issue.*
- 5. If the complaint is unresolved and there is evidence that a violation of the law occurred, the complaint may be litigated.*

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[www.sandiego.gov/fairhousing](http://www.sandiego.gov/fairhousing)

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