

## PRACTICE FAIR HOUSING

The City of San Diego's Fair Housing Program offers free services to the community in order to promote equal housing opportunities through education, counseling, investigation and enforcement efforts. These efforts include the following activities with partner organizations:

- Fair Housing counseling
- Educational Fair Housing seminars for tenants, landlords and property managers
- Educational Fair Housing seminars for homebuyers and real estate professionals
- Educational capacity building for non-profit organizations in the housing field
- Multilingual Fair Housing materials
- Participation in community events throughout the City of San Diego
- Participation in regional efforts throughout the County of San Diego

The City has adopted the San Diego Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI). The AI guides the City and the region in affirmatively furthering the goals of fair housing.



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO



To report a Fair Housing violation

**1.844.449.3500**

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

This information will be made available in alternative formats upon request. To request an alternative format, please contact the Fair Housing Hotline.

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**Fair Housing Center of the  
Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc.**  
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San Diego, CA 92114

# YOU ARE PROTECTED AGAINST ILLEGAL HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

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

## **Federal Law makes it unlawful to discriminate based on:**

- Race
- Color
- National Origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Disability (physical/mental)
- Familial status (households with one or more children under age 18 years of age)

## **State Law adds protections against discrimination based on:**

- Marital Status
- Age
- Ancestry
- Source of Income
- Medical Condition
- Sexual Orientation
- Genetic Information
- Gender Identity
- Gender Expression
- Arbitrary Status

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

If you think you have experienced illegal housing discrimination or harassment, you can explore filing a complaint by taking the following steps within one year of the incident:

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1. Call Fair Housing Hotline at: 1.844.449.3500
2. Provide facts and details about the incident
3. If merited, an impartial investigation of your complaint will be initiated
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

## **COMMON VIOLATIONS OF FAIR HOUSING LAW**

Common violations of Fair Housing law, based on protected status, include:

- Refusing 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

