

Fair Housing Resources

WHAT IS FAIR HOUSING?

Fair Housing is the ability of persons of similar income levels who are seeking housing in similar housing markets and who have like qualifications to have the same availability of housing choices regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability (physical/mental) or familial status (presence of children) -- as provided under the federal Fair Housing Act.

California laws have the same protections as federal law and further protect against housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, source of income (including rental assistance programs), marital status, age, ancestry, medical condition, genetic information, gender identity, gender expression, arbitrary status (including citizenship, primary language, and immigration status) and military/veteran status. Race in California includes hair texture and style.

FILE A DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT

If you believe you have been denied housing or the opportunity to apply for housing in the City because of a characteristic protected by federal or state law, contact the City's Fair Housing Hotline at **844-449-3500**.

Contact the hotline within one year of the incident.

Speak to a housing counselor and provide facts about the incident. If merited, your incident may be referred to a legal representative for further investigation. An attempt will be made to assist both parties in resolving the issue. If the issue remains unresolved and there is evidence that a violation has occurred, the complaint may be litigated in court.

Local Resources

Legal Aid Society of San Diego Inc.
www.lassd.org

California State Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH)
www.calcivilrights.ca.gov/

Multilingual Brochures

Visit sandiego.gov/FairHousing to view fair housing brochures in Arabic, Chinese, English, Spanish, Tagalog and Vietnamese.

