

FAIR HOUSING RESOURCES Landlords / Housing Professionals

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RESOURCES FOR FILING A FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINT & FOR FAIR HOUSING INFORMATION

Denver Metro Fair Housing Center

2701 Lawrence Street

Denver, CO 80205

(720) 279-4291

www.dmfhc.org

info@dmfhc.org

Colorado Civil Rights Division

1560 Broadway, Suite 825

Denver, CO 80202

Phone: 303-894-2997 | Toll Free: 800-886-7675 | 711 TTD - Relay

Hotline Español: 720-432-4294

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General Inquiries: DORA_CCRD@State.co.us

Intake Unit: DORA CCRDIntake@State.co.us

ADR Unit (Mediation and Conciliation): DORA_CCRDADR@State.co.us

Investigations Unit: DORA_CCRDInvestigations@State.co.us

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

Denver Regional Office of FHEO U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 1670 Broadway Denver, Colorado 80202-4801(303) 672-5437 (800) 877-7353 TTY (303) 672-5248

Link to "A Place Called Better" mini-documentary on Source of Income Discrimination https://youtu.be/AK1gmb5S27Q

FAIR HOUSING EDUCATION & POLICY RESOURCES

CO SB23-184: Protections for Residential Tenants (enacted April 2023 - effective August 2023)

https://www.leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb23-184

CO LAW PROHIBITS SOURCE OF INCOME DISCRIMINATION

Colorado Civil Rights Division announces that, as of January 1, 2021, discrimination based on source of income is prohibited by law <u>https://dora.colorado.gov/press-release-source-of-income#:~:text=DENVER%20%2D%2D%20The%20Colorado%20Civil,%2DDiscrimination%20Act%</u> 20(CA_DA).

Colorado Civil Rights Division – Housing Discrimination Information https://ccrd.colorado.gov/housing-discrimination

FAIR HOUSING AND IMMIGRATION STATUS

The fair housing laws protect individuals regardless of immigration status. It is illegal for a landlord or real estate agent to treat someone differently because of immigration status, national origin, or religion.

"Stop the Hate" flyer of the National Fair Housing Alliance https://nationalfairhousing.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/2017-02-01_Fact_Sheet-Fair_Housing_Laws_protect_immigrants.pdf

FAIR HOUSING AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

HUD Resources on Reasonable Accommodations and Reasonable Modifications <u>https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/reasonable_accommodations_and_</u> modifications

HUD Fact Sheet on Assistance Animals – Jan. 2020 https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PA/documents/AsstAnimalsGuidFS1-24-20.pdf

HUD Bulletin: Assessing a Person's Request to Have and Assistance Animal as a Reasonable Accommodation Under the Fair Housing Act (1/28/2020) https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PA/documents/HUDAsstAnimalNC1-28-2020.pdf

HUD Approves Agreement with Las Vegas Housing Providers Resolving Claims of Disability Discrimination (Press Release – 2/8/2022): https://www.hud.gov/press/press_releases_media_advisories/HUD_No_22_023

FAIR HOUSING AND PERSONS WHO ARE FORMERLY INCARCERATED

National Housing Law Project: "Fair Housing and Reentry" https://www.nhlp.org/initiatives/fair-housing-housing-for-people-with-disabilities/fair-housing-andreentry/

HUD: Meeting the Housing Needs of Formerly Incarcerated and Justice-Involved People https://www.hud.gov/reentry HUD guideline/statement Criminal records as screening tool (potential intentional or disparate impact):

https://www.hud.gov/sites/documents/HUD_OGCGUIDAPPFHASTANDCR.PDF

SEXUAL ORIENTATION/GENDER IDENTITY/GENDER EXPRESSION

EXECUTIVE ORDER 13988 BANNING DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION/GENDER IDENTITY/GENDER EXPRESSION

White House Press Release

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/20/executive-orderpreventing-and-combating-discrimination-on-basis-of-gender-identity-or-sexual-orientation/

Implementation of Executive Order 13988 on the Enforcement of the Fair Housing Act - HUD https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PA/documents/HUD_Memo_EO13988.pdf

Federal judge rules fair housing law protects Colorado LGBT couple (Reuters 4/5/17)

https://www.reuters.com/article/us-colorado-lgbt/federal-judge-rules-fair-housing-law-protectscolorado-lgbt-couple-idUSKBN17731A

COLORADO RESIDENTS – HOUSING ASSISTANCE RESOURCES & INFORMATION

Colorado Housing Connects <u>https://coloradohousingconnects.org/</u> 1-844-926-6632

Colorado Housing Finance Agency <u>https://www.chfainfo.com/</u> 800.877.chfa (2432)

INDUSTRY BEST PRACTICES FOR HOUSING PROFESSIONALS

National Association of Realtors

https://www.nar.realtor/fair-housing

Examples include: Fair Housing for All Initiative; Fair Housing Champions videos