

Fair Housing is your right!

For FREE Assistance

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If you suspect that you have been discriminated against, or have any questions about Fair Housing, please contact the agency in your service area or call
(800) 954-0441
for a referral.

Education Outreach Referral



CSA San Diego County
(619) 444-5700
or (800) 954-0441
131 Avocado Ave.
El Cajon, CA 92020
www.c4sa.org

For FREE assistance with your fair housing concerns, contact Lifeline's Fair Housing Collaborative through one of the agencies listed below:



North County Lifeline
200 Michigan Ave.
Vista, CA 92084
(760) 842-6226
or (866) 954-3354

Serving the San Diego Urban County west of I-15 from the Orange County/Riverside border south to Solana Beach and Del Mar



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131 Avocado
El Cajon, CA 92020
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Serving Poway and the San Diego Urban County east of I-15 from the Riverside County border south to the 94 including Lemon Grove



South Bay Community Services
430 F Street
Chula Vista, CA 91910
(619) 420-3620 ext. 1159
or (800) 640-2933 ext. 140

Serving the San Diego Urban County Bay area including Coronado and Imperial Beach and areas south of the 94 freeway excluding Lemon Grove

Fair Housing Laws

Federal Laws

Civil Rights Act of 1866
Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968
Housing and Community Development Act of 1974
The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988
The Fair Housing Act (The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, taken together, constitute the Fair Housing Act.)

The Americans with Disabilities Act

State Laws

Unruh Civil Rights Act of 1959 (Civil Code, Sections 51 and 52)
Fair Employment and Housing Act of 1963
California Fair Housing Act of 1992 (adds physical and mental disability and familial status to the protected groups)
Ralph Civil Rights Act (Civil Code, Sections 51.7 and 52) (Hate Crimes)
Government Code Section 12970
Government Code Section 12920
Government Code Section 12948
California Civil Code Section 51.3
California Civil Code Section 54-54.3
Bane Civil Rights Act (Civil Code, Section 52.1)

County Fair Housing

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Don't Let Discrimination Stand In Your Way!

*Know your rights and
how to protect them.*



If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or otherwise require telephone relay services, please dial 711.

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It is illegal to discriminate against persons because of their race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, marital status, age, source of income, sexual orientation or any other arbitrary reasons.

Some Aspects of Discrimination

- Discriminatory Advertising
- Refusal to sell or rent
- Inconsistent Rules or Policies
- Steering
- Lying about availability
- Limiting family size or confining some people to a specific location
- Accessibility
- Denying reasonable accommodation or modification to the disabled
- Not allowing service animals

What you should do if you suspect you have been the victim of discrimination:

1. **Assess the situation.** Generally speaking, a landlord is not discriminating when they take into consideration income, credit rating or any other pertinent information that directly relates to the ability and willingness to pay rent.
2. **If a hate crime is involved, call the local police or sheriff immediately to report the incident.**
3. **Call the Fair Housing Specialist listed in this brochure or call your local city hall for a referral.**
4. **File a complaint with the DFEH (Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing).** This must be done within 1 year of the last act of discrimination.
5. **Take them to court.** State law provides for remedies for out-of-pocket losses, injunctive relief, access to the housing previously denied, additional damages for emotional distress, and civil penalties of up to \$10,000 for the first violation. Court remedies are identical with one exception - instead of civil penalties, a court may award unlimited punitive damages.



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FREE services available to you:

- We can take information about your claim and help you to understand your Fair Housing Rights.
- We can contact the alleged violating party if you desire and attempt to conciliate or mediate the situation.
- We can assist you in filing a complaint with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing.
- We can inform you of other services or options you may wish to explore.
- We can provide you with information regarding local attorney services should you decide to litigate the situation.
- We offer Fair Housing Education.

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South Bay (619) 420-3620 x1159
Community Services or (800) 640-2933

Other Important Numbers:

Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) 1-800-233-3212

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) 1-800-669-9777

Tenants Legal Center 1-858-571-7100

Legal Aid Society
Low Income Only
Oceanside (760) 722-1935
San Diego (619) 262-5557
East County Lawyer Referral Service (619) 588-1936

San Diego County Bar Association
Lawyer Referral
North County (760) 758-4755
San Diego (800) 464-1529