There are fair housing laws to protect you in Multnomah County



No one can discriminate against you because of...



Race or Color



National Origin



Religion



Gender*



Family status



Disability



Marital status



Source of income



Sexual orientation including gender identity*



Domestic violence



Age 18 or older

The federal Fair Housing Act and the Fair Housing Amendment Acts, Oregon law, and Multnomah County protect you from discrimination.

*some exceptions apply



Fair housing laws apply to:

- Individual homes, duplexes, multifamily housing (apartments, condos, and townhomes), retirement housing, adult foster homes and longterm care facilities, homeless shelters and other nonprofit housing.
- Sales, rentals, mortgage lending, building and construction, home insurance, appraisals, and inspections, land use regulations, zoning, as well as neighbor-on-neighbor harassment.

You might be experiencing discrimination if...



Someone refuses to rent to you or terminates a lease because you're in one of the groups above.



A landlord creates different terms or standards for different tenants.



A landlord refuses to make reasonable accommodations for a tenant with a disability.

Who to contact if discrimination happens...

Call the Fair Housing Council of Oregon at (800) 424-3247 ext. 2 if you believe that you or someone else have been victims of illegal housing discrimination. Remember to: 1) Write down what happened, including dates, times, who was involved, as well as the names of possible witnesses. 2) Keep an ongoing list of events. 3) Save any written materials that relate to your case. The Fair Housing Council will advise you of the appropriate next steps and may refer you to services and organizations that can help.

