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Fair Housing

Fair housing refers to the sale or rental of housing free from discriminatory practices or policies.



Unsure what unfair housing looks like?

Some examples are:

- Refusing to rent to you due to your protected class
- Discrimination in housing rules for some and not others
- Landlord uses threats, intimidation, coercion
- Advertising a rental in a way that excludes or shows a preference to a certain type of tenant

More Info

Explore the Elkhart Human Relations website:



Protections

Housing discrimination is illegal in Elkhart. It is against the law to deny anyone housing because of their:

- Race
- Religion
- National Origin
- Skin Color
- Family Status
- Disability
- Gender (Including Gender Identity or Sexual Orientation)



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Landlord Tips

- Be sure that all your tenants are treated fairly and equally.
- Be sure that you and your staff are trained on the Fair Housing Act.





Contact Me

If you have any questions about your housing rights, please feel free to reach out to me. My contact information is below:

- human.relations@coei.org
- (574) 294-5471 Ex. 1014
- elkhartindiana.org/fair-housing

Tenant Tips

- Read through your lease before you sign it.
- Keep a copy of your rental lease and copies of your receipts.
- Follow the rules of your lease; report any changes in your household or housing immediately.