

FAIR HOUSING

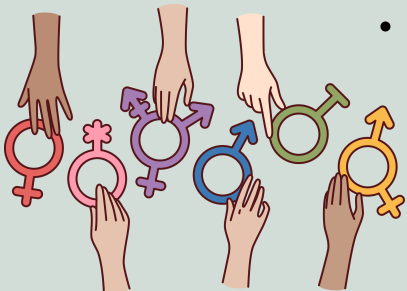
SEX/GENDER

Housing Discrimination Based on Sex/Gender Is Illegal

The federal Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate in the rental or sale of housing on the basis of sex.

This can look like...

- Threatening a transgender person in transition with eviction if they dress or present in gender-affirming ways.
- Telling a woman she needs a male co-signer even though she qualifies on her own.
- A landlord insists on doing “random check-ins” only for female tenants.
- Refusing to rent or sell a home to someone based on their gender
- A landlord refusing to rent to a queer couple because it’s against their religion



Where can this happen?

- Rental Housing
- Home Sales
- Homeless Shelters
- Mortgage Lending
- Home Insurance
- Housing Advertisements



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HOME is a private, non-profit fair housing agency serving the Greater Cincinnati area.

FAIR HOUSING: GENDER/SEX DISCRIMINATION

Violence Against Women Act

VAWA is a federal law that protects people in federally funded housing who have experienced domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

VAWA provides additional protections for a person who has a domestic violence survivor status or is experiencing intimate partner violence, so they don't have to choose between safety and their home.



Sexual Harassment Violates Fair Housing Law

Sexual harassment is a form of gender discrimination

What this can look like..

- A landlord tells an applicant they won't rent to her unless she performs a sexual act continually.
- A property manager who makes unwelcome, suggestive comments about a tenant's body

Property owners are responsible if any employee, site manager, or maintenance worker is sexually harassing a tenant.

Think you've experienced discrimination?

Contact HOME for help! We will:

- Record the facts about what happened to you
- Investigate and help to resolve the complaint
- Offer advice and counsel about enforcement options



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