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“Resources for Fair Housing”

The Fair Housing Act protects people from discrimination when they are renting, buying or securing financing for any housing. The prohibitions specifically cover discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability and the presence of children. Information about fair housing can be complex and difficult to find. The City of Norfolk Housing Division staff have gathered many valuable online links for people looking for fair housing information.



The following links in particular contain more information about the Fair Housing Act.

For those who would like to file an administrative complaint for an alleged discriminatory act, more information can be found at the Fair Housing Center of Nebraska-Iowa (www.fhasinc.org and click on Fair Housing).

Complete information about the Fair Housing Act and a comprehensive explanation can be found at the U.S. Department of Justice website at

www.justice.gov/crt/about/hce/housing_coverage.php.

Legal Aid of Nebraska at www.legalaidofnebraska.com/article/27 provides free civil legal services for low-income individuals.

The Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission is authorized to enforce Fair Housing Act Statutes and provides information about laws, regulations and contested cases – www.neoc.ne.gov/HousingLaw.html.

Complete explanation of the Landlord Tenant Law can be found at the Nebraska State Bar Association website at <http://nebar.site-ym.com/?page=FreeLegalInformation>.

The National Fair Housing Alliance has brochures on fair housing available on its website at <https://fairhousingresourcecenter.wordpress.com/brochures>. On the main website at www.nationalfairhousing.org/FairHousingResourceCenter/tabid/3915/Default.aspx.

there are also links to recent news and videos.

There is a fair housing app available called the "Housing Discrimination Complaint Application". The app allows people to submit a claim of housing discrimination for review by the Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. It can be downloaded at the Apple iTunes site.

The HUD office fair housing website is www.hud.gov/fairhousing.

The Nebraska Real Estate Commission has made available the Landlord and Tenant Act at www.nrec.ne.gov/legal/landlordacttoc.html.

The City of Norfolk Housing Division also makes available the Title VI brochure on Fair Housing at www.ci.norfolk.ne.us/Documents/Title_VI_Brochure.pdf.

HUD also provides many links concerning fair housing at www.fairhousingfirst.org/resources/links.html.

Liberty Resources, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization that advocates for persons with disabilities. Its website includes information on fair housing at www.libertyresources.org/housing.html.

The National Housing Law Project reports recent news on fair housing at www.nhlp.org and includes help for tenants, homeowners and the homeless.

A blog on housing issues can be found at <http://blog.nanmckay.com>.

A link to available rentals in the Norfolk area is available through the Norfolk Housing Agency and can be found at www.ci.norfolk.ne.us/housing/income_based_apts.pdf. Another link to available housing is www.housing.ne.gov.

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