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THIRD ANNUAL FAIR HOUSING CONFERENCE A SUCCESS



On Tuesday, April 10, 2018, Norfolk Housing Division hosted the third annual Northeast Nebraska Fair Housing Conference at the Lifelong Learning Center in Norfolk.

Landlords, as well as representatives from housing agencies, cities and villages, and agencies that manage/develop housing were all in attendance to learn more about fair housing.

The presenter, Sara McCue, is an attorney at Baird Holm LLP in Omaha, Nebraska. Her practice focuses on the Fair Housing Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. She represents and counsels housing providers, property management companies, education institutions, and the affordable housing industry.

McCue spoke about numerous topics including: an overview of fair housing, reasonable accommodations, applicant screening, harassment, and the Violence Against Women Act.

“Looking at the evaluations, the comments were mostly positive noting that the speaker was enjoyable, informative, knowledgeable, and very engaging,” said Housing Program Manager, Julie Drahota.

Differing from the prior conferences, Continuing Education Units were not available for realtors or attorneys, but that didn’t hinder the size of the group that showed up. Nearly 100 people from cities near and far (including Omaha, Clay Center, Burwell, and many others) attended the conference.

The Norfolk Housing Division hosted the first Northeast Nebraska Fair Housing Conference in April 2016.

Though there are no plans yet, housing division staff hopes to have a fourth fair housing conference next year.