Fair Housing and YOU

Your Legal Rights Against Housing Discrimination

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It Is Against The Law To Discriminate In The Sale Or Rental Of Housing On The Basis Of:

- Race.
- Color.
- Religion or Creed.
- Sex.
- Age.
- Familial Status.
- Marital Status.
- National Origin.
- Physical Disability.
- Mental Disability.
- Sexual Orientation.

Do You Have a Housing Problem?

If you are unsure about whether you have a tenant-landlord problem or a discrimination problem, please contact:

Baltimore Neighborhoods
410-243-6007
http://www.bni-maryland.org/

What Is Housing Discrimination?

Illegal housing discrimination includes interfering, threatening, or intimidating a person in the exercise or enjoyment of his/her rights. It is against the Law:

- To refuse to sell or rent a dwelling to any person who is qualified.
- To use discriminatory terms and conditions in selling or renting.
- To use discriminatory notices or advertisements indicating any preference or discrimination.
- To say that a dwelling is not available for inspection, sale, or rental, when in fact it is available.
- To attempt to steer persons into or away from neighborhoods ("you wouldn't be comfortable there") or apartment buildings ("adults-only" or "no children").
- To treat one person different from everybody else because of race, disability, family status, sex, or sexual orientation.

How Can I Get Help?

You are protected against housing discrimination! If you are unsure about your rights, contact:

- Maryland Commission on Human Relations
  410-767-8600
  TTY/TDD 410-333-1737
  800-637-6247
  http://www.mchr.state.md.us/

- U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
  410-962-2520 / 800-669-9777
  TDD 410-962-0106
  TDD 800-927-9275
  http://www.hud.gov

- Baltimore City Community Relations Commission
  410-396-3141
  http://www.baltimorecity.gov

- Baltimore County Human Relations Commission
  410-887-5917
  http://www.baltimorecounty.gov

- Greater Baltimore Community Housing Resource Board
  410-453-9500
  http://www.gbcchr.org/