

Fair Housing Welcomes Everyone Home

As the saying goes, “Home is where the heart is,” and no wonder; our homes are fundamental to our family’s security, our personal contentment, and our connection to community. State and federal laws protect your right to rent or purchase a residence that you can afford, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, physical or mental disability, sex, or for having children in the home. Tenants cannot be turned away for these reasons. However, refusing to offer a lease to a prospective tenant due to some other reason, such as bad credit, is permissible and doesn’t violate fair housing laws.

If you have questions about discrimination in housing, contact:

Missouri Commission on Human Rights
877-781-4236 (toll free)
www.labor.mo.gov/mohumanrights

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
800-743-5323 (toll free)
www.hud.gov/fairhousing

