

The MFHC makes presentations and offers technical assistance on such topics as housing discrimination and handicap accessibility.



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People who need help can contact the MFHC at 901.432.4663. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a. m. until 5:00 p. m. Callers can get advice by telephone or make an appointment to talk with a counselor

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES IS A BASIC RIGHT. REPORT UNFAIR PRACTICES.

MEMPHIS FAIR HOUSING CENTER



All services are FREE



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Memphis Area Legal Services established the **Memphis Fair Housing Center (MFHC)** in 1997 with a grant from the City of Memphis. The MFHC provides fair housing education and enforcement services and offers comprehensive housing counseling.

Staff can give information and legal guidance on housing issues. When needed, a complaint may be filed or the MFHC will represent buyers and renters in court.

Federal and state laws make it illegal to deny housing based on a person's race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap or familial status.

The following are illegal:

- Refusing to sell or rent to, or to negotiate with a buyer or renter.
- Setting different terms and conditions.
- Denying that housing is available for inspection, rent, or sale.
- Directing renters or buyers to or away from a certain area.
- Refusing to accommodate persons with disabilities.

Memphis also has an ordinance that makes it illegal to refuse to rent because of the source of income, such as a Section 8 Voucher.

As a HUD approved counseling agency, the MFHC helps in the following areas:
Homebuyer Education - explaining the home

buying process, financing, budgeting, refinance mortgages, and home maintenance.

Mortgage Delinquency & Default - identifying options to help clients save their homes from foreclosure.

Fair Lending - helping solve home improvement, bill consolidation and refinancing problems.

Handicap Accessibility - making sure that persons with physical and mental disabilities are not treated differently.

Landlord Tenant - giving advice about rental disputes, repairs and discrimination that violate local housing codes.