

# Fair Housing Survey

Fair housing is a right protected by Federal and State laws. Each resident is entitled to equal access to housing opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, familial status, marital status, age, ancestry, sexual orientation, source of income, or any other arbitrary reason.

**Signs of discrimination include:**

- The rent or deposit quoted is higher than advertised
- The manager says the unit is rented but the ad or sign is still posted
- The manager says "You probably won't like it here", "We've rented out the family units", or "There is no place for your children to play"
- A real estate agent keeps "steering" you to look for houses in neighborhoods different than the ones you desire and you think you can afford
- The manager denies your request to make minor modifications to your unit to accommodate your disability

The City of El Centro will be conducting an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. We want to hear from you about your experience with fair housing issues and concerns. Please take a moment and fill in the following survey. Thank You.

1. Do you believe housing discrimination is an issue in your neighborhood?

YES  NO

2. Have you ever experienced discrimination in housing?

YES  NO

(If YES, please proceed to Questions 3 through 9. If NO, please skip to Question 9)

3. Who do you believe discriminated against you?

a landlord/property manager       a real estate agent  
 a mortgage lender                       a mortgage insurer  
 a city/county staff

4. Where did the act of discrimination occur?

an apartment complex                       a condo development  
 a single-family neighborhood               a public or subsidized housing project  
 a trailer or mobile park                       when applying for city/county programs

5. On what basis do you believe you were discriminated against (check all that apply)?

<input type="checkbox"/> Race	<input type="checkbox"/> Color	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion
<input type="checkbox"/> National Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Ancestry	<input type="checkbox"/> Gender
<input type="checkbox"/> Marital Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Orientation	<input type="checkbox"/> Age
<input type="checkbox"/> Family Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Source of Income	<input type="checkbox"/> Disability
(e.g. single-parent with children, family with children or expecting a child)	(e.g. welfare, unemployment insurance)	(either you or someone close to you)

Other (please elaborate: \_\_\_\_\_)

6. How were you discriminated against?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. Have you ever been denied "reasonable accommodation" in rules, policies, or practices for your disability?

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

If YES, what was your request?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. If you believe you have been discriminated, have you reported the incident?

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

If No - Why? \_\_\_ don't know where to report \_\_\_ afraid of retaliation  
\_\_\_ don't believe it makes any difference \_\_\_ too much trouble

9. Has any hate crime been committed in your neighborhood?

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

If YES, what were the basis (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please elaborate: _____) |   |                                     |

**THANK YOU!**

**Please return surveys to:  
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