

HOUSING DISCRIMINATION IS ILLEGAL

FAIR HOUSING CENTER OF THE GREATER PALM BEACHES



Know Your Obligations and Responsibilities!



The *Fair Housing Act* prohibits discrimination in housing because of:

- ♦ Race/Color ♦ Religion ♦ National Origin ♦ Sex ♦ Disability
- ♦ Familial Status (children under the age of 18 living with legal custodians or parents, pregnant women and people securing custody of children under 18)

Palm Beach County Fair Housing Ordinance prohibits discrimination in housing based on:

- ♦ Age ♦ Marital Status ♦ Sexual Orientation ♦ *Sexual Identity*

What is Prohibited?

No one may take any of the following actions based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, age, marital status or sexual orientation:

In the Sale and Rental of Housing

- ♦ Refuse to rent/sell housing or deny a dwelling
- ♦ Refuse to negotiate or make housing unavailable
- ♦ Set different terms, conditions or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling
- ♦ Provide different housing services or facilities
- ♦ Falsely deny that housing is available for inspection sale or rental
- ♦ For profit, persuade owners to sell or rent (blockbusting) or
- ♦ Deny anyone access to or membership in a facility or service (such as multiple listing service) related to the sale or rental of housing.

In Mortgage Lending and Homeowners Insurance:

- ♦ Refuse to make a mortgage loan or provide insurance
- ♦ Refuse to provide information regarding loans or insurance
- ♦ Impose different information regarding loans or insurance
- ♦ Discriminate in appraising property
- ♦ Refuse to purchase a loan or
- ♦ Set different terms or conditions for purchasing a loan.

In Addition:

- ♦ It is illegal to threaten, coerce or interfere with anyone attempting to secure a fair housing right or assist others in securing that right.
- ♦ Advertise or make any statement that indicates a limitation or preference based on the above protected categories protected under the **Fair Housing Act**.

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