

FAIR HOUSING

City of Racine Fair Housing October 2022 Activity Report

*TOTAL # OF INTAKES: 2

*CALL-INS / WALK-INS: 25

ASSESSED / REFERRED: 40

Dept. of Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot.	7
Environmental Health Department	0
Building Department (RENTS)	8
Racine Fire Department	0
Clerk of Courts (Small Claims)	0
Housing Authority	0
Legal Action of Wisconsin	5
Tenant Resource Center	4
ELCA Outreach Center	0
WI Bar Association	5
Neighborhood Watch/COP House	2
Housing Resources Inc./FEC	1
HOPES Center	0
St. Vincent De Paul	2
Salvation Army	0
Energy Assistance	0
HALO	0
Racine Kenosha Community Action	0
Lutheran Social Services	0
Here 2 Help	1
Affordable Housing Resources List	1
AA/HRC Complaint Racine	0
HUD Discrimination Referral	1
HUD Nondiscrimination Referral	2
Discrimination ERD Referral	0
Investigated	1
Survey Test	0
Complaint Driven Test	0
Workforce Development Center	0

*All call-ins / walk-ins in the section assessed and referred may be multiple referrals.

*Intakes are specifically related to filing complaints with HUD/ERD.

OUTSIDE RACINE:

- 2 calls from outside Racine: Kenosha (1), Mt. Pleasant (1)

MEDIA INTERVIEW:

- None

PRESENTATION/COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- None

Investigations Conducted:

- Complainant is a single, multiracial Hispanic female recently diagnosed with a disability. Complainant (CP) received a 30-day notice from the property manager after disclosing her disability. CP has requested a reasonable accommodation to rescind the notice. CP is waiting to hear back from the property manager who referred the case to her regional director.

FILED (Alleged) COMPLAINT (S) w/HUD or ERD:

- None.

COMPLAINT UPDATE:

- Complainant is a black female with two children. CP stated she constantly gets notices for requesting repairs and is told she has to pay for them. The neighbors who are Hispanic do not get notices or rent increases. CP worked with staff to draft a letter questioning the notices and rent increases during a lease period. The owner of the property rescinded the notices and stated he would have his management company more carefully scrutinize when to issue notices.

COMPLAINTS RESOLVED/CLOSED:

- No Fair Housing cases reached full resolution this month.

Fair Housing Test Conducted:

None

SPECIAL NOTES:

Staff is looking for groups to speak with about Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing. Please share potential contacts with staff.

Staff has been coordinating and working together with local agencies to have a strong rental assistance response. Racine County has established the Here 2 Help program, which both provides referrals and services to Racine residents.