FAIR HOUSING

City of Racine Fair Housing April 2018 Activity Report

*TOTAL # OF INTAKES: 0

*CALL-INS / WALK-INS: 11

ASSESSED / REFERRED: 14

Dept. of Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot.	1
Dept. of Regulation & Licensing	0
Environmental Health Department	3
Building Department	1
Clerk of Courts (Small Claims)	0
Housing Authority	0
Legal Action of Wisconsin	3
Tenant Resource Center	3
Misc.	3
AA/HRC Complaint Racine	0
HUD Discrimination Referral	0
HUD Nondiscrimination Referral	0
Discrimination ERD Referral	0
Investigated	0
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.

MEDIA INTERVIEW: None

PRESENTATION:

• Staff met with the Anti-Racism Book Club at the Racine Public Library on April 30, 2018. Staff spoke about Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing and held a listening session with the members of the book club. 8 people were present.

Investigations Conducted: 0

• No Fair Housing Complaints were reported during April.

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

• No Fair Housing complaints were filed.

COMPLAINT UPDATE:

• A complainant had a leak in a water pipe in the shower and received an almost \$900 water bill. The landlord was made aware of the situation, but refused to fix the problem. The landlord threatened to evict the tenant if she did not pay the \$900 water bill. The tenant called the Health Department who came and inspected and required repairs to be done. The landlord served the tenant a 5 day notice for nonpayment. The tenant is working with Legal Action WI to stay in the unit and not be required to pay the water bill.

COMPLAINTS RESOLVED/CLOSED:

• No updates at this time

Fair Housing Test Conducted: None

SPECIAL NOTES:

Fair Housing Update:

- Staff is continuing to work with the Housing Authority on the AFFH process. Staff has three community meetings scheduled:
 - May 9, 2018 at George Bray Center
 - July 25, 2018 in Burlington, place to be determined
 - October 10, 2018 at Levi Barnes Apartments in Waterford, WI.

Staff will also be hosting smaller targeted meetings to reach specific populations or service providers. All meetings will be scheduled throughout 2018.

- The City of Racine Tenant Rights and Responsibilities Session will be on May 12, 2018 at Knapp School from 9:00am-1:30pm.
- Staff is on the planning committee for the Wisconsin Fair Housing Network Conference in July 2018.