

FAIR HOUSING

City of Racine Fair Housing April 2020 Activity Report

*TOTAL # OF INTAKES: 0
*CALL-INS / WALK-INS: 8
ASSESSED / REFERRED: 10

Dept. of Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot.	1
Environmental Health Department	1
Building Department	0
Racine Fire Department	0
Clerk of Courts (Small Claims)	0
Housing Authority	0
Legal Action of Wisconsin	3
Tenant Resource Center	1
ELCA Outreach Center	0
WI Bar Association	0
Neighborhood Watch/COP House	0
Housing Resources Inc.	0
HOPES Center	0
St. Vincent De Paul	0
Salvation Army	0
Energy Assistance	0
Safer At Home/Executive Order 15	3
HALO	0
Affordable Housing Resources List	1
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.

OUTSIDE RACINE:

- 1 call from outside Racine (Mt. Pleasant)

MEDIA INTERVIEW:

- None

PRESENTATION/COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- None

Investigations Conducted:

- Complainant is a single, multi-racial female with four children. CP was behind in rent, had an agreement to move out on April 19, 2020. Property owner changed the locks on April 14, 2020, without a court order. Police were contacted, Health Department was also involved. CP's children are living with the grandparents. CP works long days as a home health care aid. On April 23, 2020, Health Department was informed that the property owner was destroying CP's belongings and selling anything worth value. CP rushed to the unit and gathered everything she could, all of her leases, etc., were destroyed. Police were on the scene. CP was referred to Legal Action of Wisconsin and hopes to find an attorney to help her pursue her case.

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

- None.

COMPLAINT UPDATE:

- Complainant is a single, black female. Complainant was homeless and agreed to a sexual relation with her landlord in order to get into the unit. She refused further advances by the landlord and the landlord retaliated.* The landlord raised the rent, cut off the hot water, and entered the unit at will. The police have been called to the unit multiple times and the CP is scared to leave due to COVID19. Staff referred the case to Legal Action Wisconsin and will assist in the Fair Housing aspects of the case.

The Complainant has been referred to the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council for assistance regarding the alleged Fair Housing violations.

COMPLAINTS RESOLVED/CLOSED:

None

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.