

## **FAIR HOUSING**

### ***City of Racine Fair Housing July 2021 Activity Report***

\*TOTAL # OF INTAKES: 0  
\*CALL-INS / WALK-INS: 24  
ASSESSED / REFERRED: 38

Dept. of Ag. Trade & Cons. Prot.	5
Environmental Health Department	1
Building Department (RENTS)	3
Racine Fire Department	0
Clerk of Courts (Small Claims)	0
Housing Authority	1
Legal Action of Wisconsin	11
Tenant Resource Center	1
ELCA Outreach Center	0
WI Bar Association	1
Neighborhood Watch/COP House	1
Housing Resources Inc./FEC	0
HOPES Center	0
St. Vincent De Paul	0
Salvation Army	0
Energy Assistance	0
HALO	0
Racine Kenosha Community Action	4
Lutheran Social Services	0
Here 2 Help	4
Affordable Housing Resources List	2
AA/HRC Complaint Racine	0
HUD <b>Discrimination</b> Referral	3
HUD <b>Nondiscrimination</b> Referral	1
Discrimination ERD Referral	0
Investigated	3
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:**

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

**MEDIA INTERVIEW:**

- None

**PRESENTATION/COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

- Anti-Racism Book Club, July 19, 2021 – Discussion about Housing Patterns and Fair Housing Issues in Racine and across the nation (18 people attended).

**Investigations Conducted:**

- Complainant is a single, elderly, black female requiring an accessible spot. The signs reserving spots at the building were removed and she was afraid to leave the building due to losing her spot. Staff helped draft a reasonable accommodation letter requesting a reserved spot close to her unit and truncated lines to allow her to easily enter and exit the building.
- Complainant is a disabled, white female and has two emotional support cats as allowed by the fair housing act, she wanted to request to have an emotional support dog. Staff has collaborated with the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council to help her sort through the case and determine if a request would be reasonable.
- Complaint is a single, black, female with one child. CP is moving and has an emotional support dog. CP found two units managed by the same company and was told via email “the owners insurance policy does not allow pets, that includes Emotional Support Animals”. Staff worked with the CP to draft a reasonable accommodation letter and provide the HUD Assistance Animals Guidance document. This complaint is still pending.

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

- None.

**COMPLAINT UPDATE:**

- Complainant is a single, black female with one child. She moved into a new building and was shown one unit, but given a different unit which was in bad shape. Staff worked with the CP to draft a reasonable accommodation request to be placed on the transfer list and to have work completed on her unit. The manager went to her unit, got some work done to make it more livable, and she is placed on the transfer unit to live in the second or third floor.

**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.

The Federal Eviction Moratorium has been extended until October 3, 2021.

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.