

## CITY OF GRAYLING FAIR HOUSING POLICY AND COMPLAINT POLICY

Equal housing opportunity for all persons, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, creed, familial status, marital status, or disability, is a fundamental policy of the City of Grayling.

In May of 2015 the City of Grayling established and adopted a Fair Housing Resolution to meet the fair housing needs of the community.

It is a policy of the City of Grayling to not tolerate any person, firm or corporation or agent thereof, who sells, rents, leases or otherwise controls any housing accommodation and/or real property within the City of Grayling to refuse to sell, rent, lease, or otherwise deny to or withhold from any person or group of persons such housing accommodations and/or real property because of that person's race, color, religion, age, national origin or ancestry, sex, creed, familial status, marital status, or disability.

It is a policy of the City of Grayling to not tolerate any person, firm or corporation or agent thereof, who sells, rents, leases or otherwise controls any housing accommodation and/or real property within the City of Grayling to discriminate in the conditions, terms, privileges of any sale, rental or lease of any housing accommodation and/or real property because of that person's race, color, religion, age, national origin or ancestry, sex, creed, familial status, marital status, or disability.

It is a policy of the City of Grayling to not tolerate any person, firm or corporation or agent thereof, who has the right to sell, rent, lease (or otherwise control) any housing accommodation and/or real property within the City of Grayling to discriminate in the furnishing of facilities and/or services in connection therewith in any manner against a person because of that person's race, color, religion, age, national origin or ancestry, sex, creed, familial status, marital status, or disability.

It is a policy of the City of Grayling to carry out its obligations to the Residents of the City of Grayling in a manner that will promote the maximum choice within the community's total housing supply; lessen racial, ethnic, and economic concentrations; and facilitate desegregation and racially intrusive patterns of occupancy and use of public and private facilities by assisting its residents and the proper authorities in enforcing all existing State and Federal Laws regarding such discrimination.

The City of Grayling will work collaboratively with the Grayling Housing Commission and the Crawford County Housing Commission to meet the fair housing needs of the residents of the City of Grayling and Crawford County.

The City of Grayling will direct the residents to the proper authority when it comes to their fair housing needs, either with financing or the complaint process.

If you believe you are the victim of housing discrimination you can contact the **Michigan Department of Civil Rights** at <u>http://www.michigan.gov/mdcr</u>. Questions may be directed to the Service Center, 1-800-482-3604, or MDCR-INFO@michigan.gov.

You may also contact the **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development** at <u>https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/fair\_housing\_equal\_opp/online-</u> complaint#\_How\_to\_File\_\_or\_\_call\_\_1-800-669-9777 (HUD's Regional Housing Discrimination Complaint Office).

## Michigan Fair Housing Centers:

Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit 220 Bagley Avenue, Suite 1020 Detroit, MI 48226 Phone: (313) 963-1274 Fax: (313) 963-4817 www.fairhousingdetroit.org

## Fair Housing Center of West Michigan

20 Hall Street, SE Grand Rapids, MI 49507 Phone: (616) 451-2980 Fax: (616) 451-2657 www.fhcwm.org Fair Housing Center of Southeast & Mid-Michigan P.O. Box 7825 Ann Arbor, MI 48107 Phone: 1-877-979-FAIR (3247) Fax: (734) 340-6598 www.fhcmichigan.org

Fair Housing Center of Southwest Michigan

405 W. Michigan Avenue, Suite 6 Kalamazoo, MI 49007 Phone: (269) 276-9100 Fax: (269) 276-9101 www.fhcswm.org

## **Resources:**

Fair Housing Act as Amended (Title VIII) https://www.justice.gov/crt/fair-housing-act-2

Frequently asked questions about the Fair Housing Act <u>Https://www.justice.gov/crt</u>

HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/fair\_housing\_equal\_opp

National Fair Housing Advocate www.fairhousing.com

**People with Disabilities** 

https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/fair\_housing\_equal\_opp/disability\_main https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/fair\_housing\_equal\_opp/disabilities/sect50 4faq

Accessibility Requirements for Buildings https://www.hud.gov/program\_offices/fair\_housing\_equal\_opp/disabilities/fhefha sp

MSHDA's Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing plan form, for MSHDA financed developments.

https://www.michigan.gov/mshda/0,4641,7-141-5564\_46919-363585--,00.html

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