Looking For Housing With a Voucher? Know Your Rights!

In MA, Fair Housing Laws Protect Everyone from Discrimination Based On:

- Using public assistance (e.g., SSI, SSDI, Section 8)
- Race and Color
- National origin
- Religion
- Disability
- Age

- Sex (Including Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation)
- Families with children
- Marital status
- Genetic Information
- Ancestry
- Military status

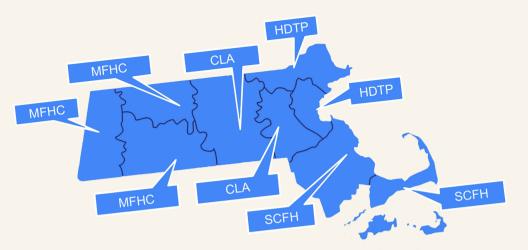
Examples of When You Might Reach out to the Fair Housing Alliance of Massachusetts (FHAM):

- Denied housing for having a voucher
 Ex: "Sorry, this isn't a Section 8 unit"
- Denied housing for receiving some form of public assistance
 - Ex: Landlord refuses to consider SSDI as "income"
- Denied housing because of the requirements of subsidy programs
 - Ex: Landlord says, "Section 8 takes too long"
- Excluded from applying to available units
 - Ex: Requiring income is 3x rent



Want to Speak With an Advocate? Contact FHAM at: (508)444-9332

You can also locate your FHAM service provider by looking at the map on the next page, and visit their website!





Community Legal Aid: bit.ly/CLAFHAM



Massachusetts Fair Housing Center: bit.ly/MFHCFHAM



South Coast Fair Housing: bit.ly/SCFHFHAM



Housing Discrimination Testing Program: bit.ly/HDTPFHAM

