Fair Housing Survey

Fair housing is a right protected by Federal and State laws. Each resident is entitled to equal access to housing opportunities regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, familial status, marital status, age, ancestry, sexual orientation, source of income, or any other arbitrary reason.

**Signs of discrimination include:**
- The rent or deposit quoted is higher than advertised
- The manager says the unit is rented but the ad or sign is still posted
- The manager says "You probably won't like it here", "We've rented out the family units", or "There is no place for your children to play"
- A real estate agent keeps "steering" you to look for houses in neighborhoods different than the ones you desire and you think you can afford
- The manager denies your request to make minor modifications to your unit to accommodate your disability

The City of El Centro will be conducting an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. We want to hear from you about your experience with fair housing issues and concerns. Please take a moment and fill in the following survey. Thank You.

1. **Do you believe housing discrimination is an issue in your neighborhood?**
   - YES
   - NO

2. **Have you ever experienced discrimination in housing?**
   - YES  
   - NO
   (If YES, please proceed to Questions 3 through 9. If NO, please skip to Question 9)

3. **Who do you believe discriminated against you?**
   - a landlord/property manager
   - a real estate agent
   - a mortgage lender
   - a mortgage insurer
   - a city/county staff

4. **Where did the act of discrimination occur?**
   - an apartment complex
   - a condo development
   - a single-family neighborhood
   - a public or subsidized housing project
   - a trailer or mobile park
   - when applying for city/county programs

5. **On what basis do you believe you were discriminated against (check all that apply)?**
   - Race
   - National Origin
   - Marital Status
   - Family Status
   (e.g. single-parent with children, family with children or expecting a child)
   - Color
   - Ancestry
   - Sexual Orientation
   (e.g. welfare, unemployment insurance)
   - Religion
   - Gender
   - Source of Income
   (either you or someone close to you)
   - Disability
   - Other (please elaborate: ____________________________________________ )
6. How were you discriminated against?
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

7. Have you ever been denied "reasonable accommodation" in rules, policies, or practices for your disability?
____ YES  ____ NO
If YES, what was your request?
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
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8. If you believe you have been discriminated, have you reported the incident?
____ YES  ____ NO
If No – Why?  ____ don’t know where to report  ____ afraid of retaliation  ____ don’t believe it makes any difference  ____ too much trouble

9. Has any hate crime been committed in your neighborhood?
____ YES  ____ NO
If YES, what were the basis (check all that apply)
____ Race  ____ Color  ____ Religion
____ National Origin  ____ Ancestry  ____ Gender
____ Marital Status  ____ Sexual Orientation  ____ Age
____ Family Status  ____ Source of Income  ____ Disability
____ Other (please elaborate: __________________________)  ____________________________________________

THANK YOU!

Please return surveys to:
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