



HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER HOLDERS: YOUR RIGHT TO FAIR HOUSING

AS A HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER HOLDER, YOU ARE PROTECTED AGAINST HOUSING DISCRIMINATION.

Under the Cook County and Chicago Human Rights laws, it is illegal to deny someone housing because of her/his source of income, which includes housing choice vouchers.

THIS MEANS THAT A HOUSING PROVIDER OR LANDLORD CANNOT DENY YOU HOUSING SIMPLY DUE TO YOUR VOUCHER.

Landlords or housing providers may violate the law if they:

- Advertise that s/he will not accept vouchers
- Refuse to accept applications from voucher holders
- Indicate that "the building is not section 8 approved," or "we do not accept section 8/vouchers;"
- Ask for higher security deposits or offers different terms or conditions to voucher holders than other applicants

Housing choice voucher holders have the right to apply for housing just like any other renter.

IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW HAS BEEN TURNED DOWN FOR AN APARTMENT BASED ON THE USE OF A HOUSING VOUCHER, CONTACT NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR ASSISTANCE.

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