

## MAURY COUNTY & MT. PLEASANT

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### April is Fair Housing Month

April is Fair Housing Month, a time when we celebrate the Fair Housing Act and recommit ourselves to ensuring every American has access to housing that is free from discrimination. The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate in housing transactions based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or family status.

The Mayor of Maury County, Andy Olges, and the Mayor of Mt. Pleasant, Bill White, calls on the residents of Maury County and Mt. Pleasant to be aware of the importance of equal housing opportunities for all citizens. Persons who believe they have experienced discrimination may file a complaint by contacting HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity at (800) 669-9777 (voice) or (800) 927-9275 (TTY).

Every year, HUD and its fair housing partner organizations pursue enforcement actions, work to enhance the public's awareness of their housing rights, and emphasize the importance of ending housing discrimination. Last year alone, HUD and its partner agencies received almost 8,000 complaints alleging discrimination based on one or more of the Fair Housing Act's seven protected classes: race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability.



**EQUAL HOUSING  
OPPORTUNITY**

**We Do Business in Accordance With the Federal Fair  
Housing Law**

(The Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988)

**It is illegal to Discriminate Against Any Person  
Because of Race, Color, Religion, Sex,  
Handicap, Familial Status, or National Origin**

- In the sale or rental of housing or residential lots
- In the provision of real estate brokerage services
- In advertising the sale or rental of housing
- In the appraisal of housing
- In the financing of housing
- Blockbusting is also illegal

Anyone who feels he or she has been discriminated against may file a complaint of housing discrimination:

1-800-669-9777 (Toll Free)

1-800-927-9275 (TTY)

[www.hud.gov/fairhousing](http://www.hud.gov/fairhousing)

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