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HUD AWARDS MORE THAN \$21 MILLION IN GRANTS TO FIGHT HOUSING DISCRIMINATION

92 agencies nationwide receive Fair Housing Initiative Program funding

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development today awarded \$21.8 million to Fair Housing, and other non-profits agencies in 37 states and the District of Columbia to assist people who believe they have been victims of housing discrimination.

"These Fair Housing Initiatives Program grants will help us continue our efforts to educate the public, the housing industry, real estate professionals and financial institutions about their rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act," said Kim Kendrick, HUD's Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. "Our local partners are critical not only in enforcing the law but in reinforcing the message -- housing discrimination is illegal and HUD will take action to eliminate it."

The categories grants were awarded in are:

- **Private Enforcement Initiative grants (PEI)** - HUD awarded \$20 million to help groups investigate alleged housing discrimination, and enforce the Fair Housing Act and state and local laws that are substantially equivalent to the Act.
- **Education and Outreach Initiative grants (EOI)** - HUD awarded \$1.3 million to groups that educate the public and housing providers about their rights and obligations under federal, state, and local fair housing laws.
- **Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI): Clinical Law School Component** - HUD awarded \$500,000 to Howard University Law School to organize and operate a fair housing legal-clinic education program.

All of the specific grant recipients are listed below.

FHEO and its partners in the Fair Housing Assistance Program investigate approximately 10,000 housing discrimination complaints annually. People who believe they are the victims of housing discrimination should contact HUD at (800) 669-9777 (voice), (800) 927-9275 (TTY). Additional information is available at www.hud.gov/fairhousing. Stay on top of the most up-to-date news regarding the Fair Housing Act by signing up for the [FHEO RSS Feed](#).

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Listing of Fair Housing Grants for Fiscal Year 2008

Alabama		
	Central Alabama Fair Housing Center	\$274,000
	Fair Housing Center of Northern Alabama	\$275,000
	Mobile Fair Housing Center, Inc	\$275,000
Arizona	Arizona Fair Housing Center	\$275,000
	Southwest Fair Housing Council	\$270,144
California	Bay Area Legal Aid	\$275,000
	California Rural Legal Assistance, Inc.	\$275,000
	Fair Housing of Marin	\$275,000
	Greater Napa Fair Housing Center	\$120,000
	Inland Mediation Board	\$275,000
	Orange County Fair Housing Council, Inc.	\$175,000
	Project Sentinel, Inc.	\$270,000
	Southern California Housing Rights Center	\$275,000
Connecticut	Connecticut Fair Housing Center, Inc.	\$275,000
District of Columbia		
	Equal Rights Center	\$100,000
	Housing Counseling Services	\$100,000
	Howard University	\$499,497
	National Community Reinvestment Coalition	\$230,000
Delaware	Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.	\$274,621
Florida	Bay Area Legal Services, Inc.	\$234,973
	Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc.	\$275,000
	Fair Housing Continuum, Inc.	\$275,000
	Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence, Inc.	\$275,000
	Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc.	\$274,752
	Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc.	\$120,629
	Mid-Florida Housing Partnership, Inc.	\$100,000
Georgia	Metro Fair Housing Services, Inc.	\$271,248
Hawaii	Legal Aid Society of Hawaii	\$275,000
Iowa	Iowa Civil Rights Commission	\$67,126
Idaho	Intermountain Fair Housing Council Inc	\$274,796
Illinois	Access Living of Metropolitan Chicago	\$275,000
	Chicago Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc.	\$274,994
	HOPE Fair Housing Center	\$274,491
	Interfaith Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs	\$186,403
	John Marshall Law School	\$274,958
	Praire State Legal Services, Inc.	\$100,000
	South Suburban Housing Center	\$273,505
Kentucky	Lexington Fair Housing Council, Inc.	\$260,477

Louisiana	Greater New Orleans Fair Housing Action Center	\$275,000
Massachusetts		
	Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston	\$274,750
	Housing Discrimination Project	\$275,000
	Legal Assistance Corporation of Central Massachusetts	\$232,000
Maine	Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Inc.	\$275,000
Michigan	Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit	\$180,740
	Fair Housing Center of Southeastern Michigan	\$183,549
	Fair Housing Center of Southwest Michigan	\$162,225
	Fair Housing Center of West Michigan	\$274,604
	Legal Aid and Defender Association, Inc.	\$275,000
	Legal Services of Eastern Michigan	\$208,561
Minnesota	Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis	\$275,000
Missouri	Metropolitan Saint Louis Equal Housing Opportunity Council	\$224,379
North Dakota	Fair Housing of the Dakotas	\$220,546
Nebraska	Family Housing Advisory Services, Inc.	\$275,000
New Hampshire		
	New Hampshire Legal Assistance	\$223,557
New Jersey	Citizen Action of New Jersey	\$100,000
	Fair Housing Council of Northern New Jersey	\$275,000
New Mexico	ACORN Associates	\$99,974
Nevada	Silver State Fair Housing Council	\$268,606
New York	Buffalo Urban League, Inc.	\$90,000
	Fair Housing Council of New York, Inc.	\$211,346
	HELP Social Service Corporation	\$274,995
	Housing Opportunities Made Equal, Inc.	\$263,846
	Legal Assistance of Western NY, Inc.	\$197,500
	Long Island Housing Services, Inc.	\$270,417
	New York Agency for Community Affairs	\$99,427
	South Brooklyn Legal Services, Inc.	\$183,333
	Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.	\$261,895
Ohio	Fair Housing Contact Service	\$275,000
	Fair Housing Opportunities, Inc. dba Fair Housing Center	\$275,000
	Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc.	\$275,000
	Housing Advocates Inc.	\$275,000
	Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Greater Cincinnati, Inc.	\$273,815
	Housing Research & Advocacy Center	\$275,000
	Miami Valley Fair Housing Center, Inc.	\$275,000

Oklahoma	Metropolitan Fair Housing Council	\$274,900
Oregon	Fair Housing Council of Oregon	\$275,000
	Legal Aid Services of Oregon	\$81,759
Pennsylvania		
	Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia, Inc.	\$274,818
	Fair Housing Partnership of Greater Pittsburgh, Inc.	\$275,000
	Fair Housing Rights Center in Southeastern Pennsylvania	\$275,000
	St. Martin Center, Inc.	\$100,000
Tennessee	Tennessee Fair Housing Council, Inc.	\$275,000
	West Tennessee Legal Services, Inc.	\$275,000
Texas	Austin Tenants Council, Inc.	\$274,707
	Garland Fair Housing Office	\$100,000
	Greater Houston Fair Housing Center, Inc.	\$275,000
	San Antonio Fair Housing Council, Inc.	\$275,000
Virginia	Piedmont Housing Alliance	\$62,217
Vermont	Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity	\$100,000
	Vermont Legal Aid, Inc.	\$275,000
Washington	Fair Housing Center of Washington	\$275,000
	Northwest Fair Housing Alliance	\$275,000
Wisconsin	Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council, Inc.	\$274,921
Total		\$21,800,000.00

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