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POST!

The Fair Housing Council of Oregon  
presents:

# The 19th Annual FAIR HOUSING

To enter the  
poster contest:

- Draw an original poster illustrating the theme.
- Send in your entry and maybe you will be the lucky person whose poster is distributed across the state.



POSTER CONTEST

## Open to Kids in Grades 1-8

*Fair Housing* is the name for the civil rights laws that protect an Oregonian's right to live where he or she chooses.

The theme for the 19th Annual Fair Housing Poster Contest is:

### **It's Fun Having All Kinds of Neighbors**

Entry deadline is 5:00 pm on March 17, 2017

*Prizes will be awarded in three different age groups. Full contest details are on the back of this poster.*

*Mail entries to the Fair Housing Council of Oregon, 1221 SW Yamhill St., Ste. #305, Portland, OR 97205.*

*If you have questions, please call 503-223-8197 ext.111, or email [information@fhco.org](mailto:information@fhco.org).*

Posters must contain wording that addresses the theme. Posters must measure 11" x 17" on poster paper, poster board or similar material. Design the poster so it is horizontal. Materials used should be crayons, colored pencils, magic markers, tempera paint, pastels, or chalk. Please do not use glitter or glue.

### Poster Guidelines

Since we all fall into at least some of these categories, fair housing laws protect all of us from illegal housing discrimination.

- race
- color
- source of income
- marital status
- sexual orientation
- religion
- national origin
- age
- gender identity
- sex
- familial status
- occupation
- disability

The intention of the poster contest is to increase awareness among young Oregonians of their right to equal housing opportunity. Federal, state and local laws prohibit discrimination based on:



### Purpose

*It's Fun Having All Kinds of Neighbors*

### Theme

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## Fair Housing Poster Contest

Spring 2017

**It's Fun Having All Kinds of Neighbors**

Contest Open To Grades 1 through 8

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All winning entries will be placed on display at numerous sites throughout the state in April as part of Fair Housing Month. The Grand Prize winner's poster will be reprinted and distributed to the general public.

### Winning Entries

Prize-winning entries will be selected on their content, design, appeal, and technique.

### Judging and Prizes

Entries become property of the Fair Housing Council of Oregon and will not be returned. FHCO reserves the right to publish and/or display all work.

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Portland, Oregon 97205

The entrant's school or organization should mail entries to the Fair Housing Council of Oregon by 5:00 p.m. March 17th, 2016. The address is:

### Entry Date and Process

The following information must be placed on the back of the posters using a ball point pen:

- The entrant's name, grade, school or youth program, and teacher or program staff person
- The name, mailing address, and telephone number of a parent/guardian

### Poster Identification

First Prize: \$75  
Second Prize: \$50  
Third Prize: \$25

### Grades 6 through 8

First Prize: \$75  
Second Prize: \$50  
Third Prize: \$25

### Grades 4 and 5

First Prize: \$75  
Second Prize: \$50  
Third Prize: \$25

### Grades 1 through 3

GRAND PRIZE  
\$100



Contest Prizes

## What is Fair Housing?

Fair Housing is a set of federal, state and local laws which protect our right to equal housing opportunity by prohibiting illegal housing discrimination.

In 1968, the United States Congress passed the Fair Housing Act to address housing discrimination based on race, color, religion and national origin.

In 1974 and 1988, the Congress passed legislation which added protection from housing discrimination based on sex, familial status (having children under 18 in the household), and physical or mental disability.

In addition to the federal protections, the State of Oregon has laws that protect against discrimination based on marital status, source of income, sexual orientation and gender identity. Some cities protect age and occupation.

## How does the Fair Housing Poster Contest help educate kids?

The poster contest is a great way to teach children about the importance of civil rights. The contest is a natural tie-in with lessons on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Black History Month. Congress actually passed the Fair Housing Act as a direct response to the assassination of Dr. King.

Children will also be interested in how fair housing protects their families. Before familial status protection was added to the federal laws, over 50% of landlords in the United States refused to rent to families with children. Familial status discrimination remains one of the most common types of discrimination in Oregon today.

## The Fair Housing Poster Contest

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