

THE PURPOSE OF THIS TOOL

- EDUCATE LANDLORDS OF THE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND THEIR LEGAL RESPONSIBILITIES TO THOSE WHO BELONG TO THE PROTECTED CLASS OF SOURCE OF INCOME.
- BREAK DOWN STEREOTYPES AND MISCONCEPTIONS ABOUT WHO USES FEDERAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE IN OREGON.
- EMPOWER LANDLORDS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT FAIR HOUSING, THE PROTECTED CLASS OF SOURCE OF INCOME AND TO BE FAIR HOUSING ADVOCATES BY PROVIDING MUCH NEEDED AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
- EDUCATE LANDLORDS ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF RENTING TO PEOPLE WHO USE A HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER.



Information for Social Service Providers, Case Managers, Housing Navigators, etc.

How to use this tool: "Fair Housing for Oregon Landlords: Source of Income"

The "Fair Housing for Landlords: Source of Income" flier was created by the Fair Housing Council of Oregon in partnership with stakeholders from Oregon housing authorities, social service providers and fair housing advocates.

The "Fair Housing for Landlords: Source of Income" flier can be provided to landlords at the time of application to:

- Inform landlords of their responsibilities under state fair housing laws (see below) to accept federal, state and or local rental subsidies as part of a tenant or applicant's income.
- Provide landlords with education about who uses federal rental assistance in Oregon.
- Educate landlords of the benefits of renting to someone who uses a Housing Choice voucher.
- Empower landlords to offset the housing crisis by providing affordable housing in their community.

Oregon Fair Housing Law – Source of Income: Under Oregon's fair housing laws, it's illegal to refuse to rent to an applicant, or treat an applicant or tenant differently, because they are using a Housing Choice voucher or other local, state, or federal rental housing assistance. It's illegal to advertise "no Section 8."

If your client has been turned away from housing or has been treated differently while applying or during tenancy because they use a Housing Choice voucher or other local, state, or federal rental housing assistance, please contact the Fair Housing Council of Oregon to speak with a fair housing advocate.

Fair Housing Council of Oregon

Hotline Hours: Fridays from 9:00am-12:00pm

Hotline Phone Number: (800) 424 - 3247 x 2

Contact FHCO through our main phone line or on our website and we'll get back to you within three business days.

Main Phone: (503) 223-8197 [FHCO.org](https://www.fhco.org) and use the "Advocate Contact" form.

Additional Resources to print and provide with this tool:

- Fair Housing Council of Oregon's "New Landlord Guide" at [FHCO.org](https://www.fhco.org)
- Local housing needs by county: <https://www.oregonhousingalliance.org/housing-needs/>
- Oregon Federal Rental Assistance Fact Sheet: <https://www.cbpp.org/research/housing/federal-rental-assistance-fact-sheets#OR>