Housing Discrimination

National Origin
National origin refers to a person’s birthplace or ancestry, such as someone who is Latino/a or Hispanic or from another country or region of the world. It is illegal to discriminate against someone based on their national origin.

Prohibited Conduct
Discrimination includes refusing to rent or sell, or charging more or offering different terms to someone, because of his or her race or color. Housing providers are prohibited from making discriminatory statements or publishing discriminatory advertising, as well as from making false statements about availability.

Harassment and Retaliation
Harassing someone, or retaliating against or interfering with someone who is attempting to exercise their fair housing rights, is also prohibited.

For Questions, Help, or Support, please contact:

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Off-Campus Housing as a Person of Color
What to know and what to ask when leasing.
I think I'm being discriminated against, what do I do?

Identifying Discrimination
The Fair Housing Act prohibits housing and housing-related discrimination because of race, color, national origin, religion, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), familial status, and disability.

Reporting Discrimination
If you feel you have or are being discriminated against, please contact Student Legal Services, CSU cultural centers, and/or Off-Campus Life for support.

Searching for POC Friendly Housing

Look For Keywords in Listings
People looking for roommates on RentalSearch or in Facebook groups will often list if they are also looking for POC friendly living environments. Search through active listings for 'poc friendly', 'bipoc roommates', etc. Consider posting a roommate profile on RentalSearch or Facebook for yourself using these phrases as well so people can reach out to you!

Don't Be Afraid to Ask!
When touring an apartment or house, don't be afraid to just ask the landlord if they are POC friendly and up to date on their Fair Housing training. A clear answer, good or bad, is better than a vague one!

Check Reviews
Reviews in general should be taken with a grain of salt, but in this case they can be very helpful in determining other pocs' housing experiences. Search for words like "discriminate" and "racist" in reviews to see if there have been problems in the past with this landlord.