

Disabilities Rights Center



Problems with Housing? Where to Turn for Help



If you need housing and **you are a client of an area agency for developmental services or a community mental health center**, you can get help from your case manager.

Where can I go to find affordable or subsidized housing?

The New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority is a statewide agency that provides funding for housing and rental assistance. They can be reached at:

<http://www.nhhfa.org/>

32 Constitution Drive, Bedford, NH

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 5087,
Manchester, NH 03108

Phone: (603) 472-8623 or

1-800-640-7239

TDD: (603) 472-2089

The NHHFA website has good resources including a Directory of Assisted Housing and an Accessible Units Directory, which also lists the 20 local housing authorities in the state.

The local housing authority in your area may be able to help you. The NHHFA can refer you or you can call your local welfare office for help.

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Protection and Advocacy System for New Hampshire

18 Low Avenue
Concord, NH 03301

Phone: 603-228-0432 or
1-800-834-1721 (voice/ TTY)

Fax: 603-225-2077

Email: advocacy@drcnh.org

The Disabilities Rights Center is dedicated to eliminating barriers existing in New Hampshire to the full and equal enjoyment of civil and other legal rights by people with disabilities.

Does the DRC take housing cases?

The DRC may be able to help you if you are experiencing discrimination in housing due to a disability, such as:

...Your landlord refuses to make reasonable accommodations for your disability

...You are threatened with eviction due to your disability

...A landlord refuses to rent to you due to your disability or that of a family member

www.drcnh.org

I want to file a complaint about housing discrimination.

Where do I go?

You can file a complaint with either of these agencies:

NH Commission for Human Rights

2 Chenell Drive, Concord, NH 03301-8501

<http://www.nh.gov/hrc/>

E-MAIL: humanrights@nhsa.state.nh.us

(603) 271-2767 Fax: (603) 271-6339

You must file a complaint **within 180 days** after the alleged act of discrimination.

Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity
Department of Housing and Urban Development
O'Neill Federal Building

10 Causeway Street, Room 321

Boston, Ma 02222-1092

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/housing_discrimination

1-800-669-9777

You can file a complaint online or by phone or mail. Complaints must be filed within one year after an alleged discriminatory housing practice has occurred or terminated.

Where else can I get help with a legal problem with housing?

The following legal services assist low income people with housing problems:

New Hampshire Legal Assistance

Branch Law Offices:

<http://www.nhla.org/>

1131 Main Street

Berlin

1-800-698-8969

1361 Elm Street

Manchester

668-2900 or 1-800-562-3174

24 Opera House Square

Claremont

542-8795 or 1-800-562-3994

154 High Street

Portsmouth

431-7411 or 1-800-334-3135

117 North State Street

Concord

1-800-921-1115

New Hampshire Bar Association

2 Pillsbury Street, Suite 300

Concord, NH 03301

Telephone: (603) 224-6942

Fax : (603) 224-2910

<http://www.nhbar.org/>

The NH Bar Association has a Pro Bono and Lawyer Referral program.

Legal Advice and Referral Center

48 South Main Street

Concord, NH 03302-4147

<http://www.nhlegalaid.org/LARC>

1-800-639-5290 or (603) 224-3333



You can also get information and referrals for housing and other assistance from:

ServiceLink: 1-866-634-9412

Granite State Independent Living has information housing assistance:

www.gsil.org

The **US Department of Housing and Urban Development** has a list on their website of all HUD subsidized housing in New Hampshire: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i_want_to/find_rental_assistance

www.drcnh.org