

## **Fair Housing needs YOU!**

*Do you have spare time?*

*...good communication skills?*

*...a commitment to civil rights?*

*Are you interested in making some extra  
money?*

***Become a Fair Housing  
Tester.***

### **Call us for more information.**

We will mail you a complete job description and an application form, and reserve a space for you in one of our up-coming tester training sessions. Once you complete the training and submit your paperwork, you will receive a practice test to get started at putting your skills to work!



*At Fair Housing Contact Service, we believe that everyone deserves to live in the safe, affordable housing of their choice.*

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Equal Housing Opportunity

## **Become a Fair Housing Tester**

Become a Fair Housing Tester – English



*Fair Housing Contact Service strives to prevent and eliminate housing discrimination and to promote equal housing opportunity.*

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**To help ensure that your rights are protected, we offer the following services FREE of Charge:**

- Tenant/Landlord Counseling
- Assistance with Housing Discrimination Issues
- Comprehensive Housing Counseling
  - Home Refinance
  - Loan Document Review
  - First-Time Home Buyers
  - HECM Reverse Mortgage
  - Default/Foreclosure
- Educational Training Seminars
- Interpreting for Clients who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing or who speak a language other than English
- Literature available in large print

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**THE FAIR HOUSING ACT**

prohibits discrimination on the basis of:

<b>Race or Color</b>	<b>Sex</b>
<b>National Origin</b>	<b>Disability</b>
<b>Religion</b>	<b>Familial Status</b>

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**We also offer:**

- Informative Booklets:
  - Tenant/Landlord Handbook
  - A Tenant’s Guide to Repairs
  - Security Deposits
  - What Fair Housing Means for People with Disabilities
- Professional Training
- Membership

Testers are community members who undergo training to pose as a potential tenant or homebuyer. Testers meet with a rental or sales agent and record the details of their interaction and the information provided on a special report form.

Our Fair Housing Enforcement Team reviews and compares reports from various testers. Testers are assigned housing tests on both random properties and properties suspected of housing discrimination.

When discriminatory treatment is found, we file a complaint with the Ohio Civil Rights Commission or the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. These agencies enforce the Fair Housing laws.

**Fair Housing Contact Service needs people from ALL backgrounds to be able to most effectively test for housing discrimination.**

**Why be a Tester?**

Testers are paid for their work and reimbursed for mileage costs.

Testers help ensure that the Fair Housing laws are working.

**Position Requirements**

- High School Diploma/GED
- At least 18 years old
- Ability to communicate effectively
- Strong attention to detail
- No felony convictions
- Never convicted of fraud or perjury
- Not currently a Landlord, Property Manager, or Realtor
- Commitment to Civil Rights Advocacy

Experience in renting or purchasing a house or apartment is helpful.