

# Fair Housing Contact Service Description of Tester Duties

Title: Tester / Housing Investigator

**Employment Status:** Housing Investigators are employees of Stanley Staffing employment agency, and paid by Stanley Staffing with taxes withheld. However, all assignments, communication regarding assignments, and work product produced will be conducted solely and directly between FHCS and Tester.

#### **Compensation**:

- Testers are paid bi-weekly for all work completed during the payroll period.
- As of the printing of this document, Testers are paid \$50 per rental test, \$50 per sales test, and \$20 per phone or email test completed. (Fees are subject to change. If services are not rendered in accordance with the Tester Agreement fees may be reduced or eliminated at the discretion of the Test Coordinator, Enforcement Coordinator, or Executive Director).
- Testers are reimbursed for mileage drive to and from the test site at the IRS rate, or for bus fees incurred when completing a test.
- Reimbursement for a personal assistant will be provided per the approval of an accommodation request made by the Tester.

#### Hours:

- Assignments are determined by the Test Coordinator.
- There is no guarantee of test assignments which vary widely
- Acceptance of a test requires a Tester to follow through with the test assignment in accordance with the Tester Agreement.
- Assignments may include evening and/or weekend hours.

#### Duties:

- All applicants must complete a three-hour training provided by Fair Housing Contact Service prior to acceptance as a contracted Tester.
- Tester must maintain regular communication (as outlined in the Tester Agreement) with the Test Coordinator regarding the status of the test.
- Test report forms must be completed in full and provided to the Test Coordinator within the time frame set in the Tester Agreement.
- All materials provided to a Tester by a Housing Provider must be given to the Test Coordinator with the completed final test report form.
- All Testers are required to keep all aspects of their test duties confidential.
- Testers must attend periodic training events as scheduled by Fair Housing Contact Service.
- Testers must be willing to participate in any litigation that stems from tests they conducted.

#### **Qualifications**:

- High school diploma or GED
- No felony, fraud, perjury, violent crimes, or drug offense convictions
- Not a housing provider, including but not limited to, a landlord, property manager, real estate agent, etc.
- Ability to communicate effectively verbally and in writing.
- Strong attention to detail.
- Experience renting or purchasing a house or apartment is helpful.



## Housing Investigator Application Form

#### Fair Housing Contact Service 441 Wolf Ledges Parkway, Suite 200 Akron, Ohio 44311



We are happy to provide reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities upon request.

			P	Pers	onal Information		
1. Name							
2. Social Security Number							
3. Street Address & Apt. #							
4. City, State, ZIP Code							
5. Home Phone							
6. Cell Phone							
7. Work Phone							
8. E-Mail Address							
9. Indicate best days & times to reach you:							
10. Best method to reach you:							
11. Are you a citizen of th United States?	ie	YES	NO □	12	. If no, are you authorized to work in the U.S.?	YES	NO
13. Have you worked for Fair Housing Contact Service (FHCS) before?		YES	NO		. If yes to 3, when?		
15. Are you at least 18 years of age?		YES	NO □	pei	Have you ever been convicted of a felony, fraud, jury, violent crime, drug offense, or had a judgment ered against you for another act of dishonesty?	YES	NO □
17. If yes to #16, explain:							
18. Have you or a family member ever worked as a real estate agent or broker? Or are you currently a housing provider (landlord, manager, etc.)			YES NO				<i>'</i> :
20. Housing Investigators may be called upon to be deposed or testify in legal proceedings regarding reports they have written in this role. Test reports and depositions may be used to prove charges of housing discrimination. Are you willing to be deposed or cross-examined in a court of law and make a substantial commitment of your time in the event that you are called upon to do so?				NO			

	Education					
1. Name of High School	Did you grad	luate?		YES	NO	
2. Name of College	Did you grad	luate?		YES	NO □	Major:
3. Name of Graduate, Technical, or Vocational School	Did you grad	luate?		YES	NO □	Major:
	Employment Hi	story				
1. Company:		Phone:		( )		
Address:	Supervi	sor:				
Job Title:			From:		To:	
Reason for Leaving:						
2. Company:		Phone:		( )		
Address:		Supervi	sor:			
Job Title:			From:		To:	
Reason for Leaving:				1		
3. Company:		Phone:		( )		
Address:		Supervi	sor:			
Job Title:			From:		To:	
Reason for Leaving:						
	Skills & Experie	ence				
1. Are you able to demonstrate strong attention to detail? ("Yes" response r to serve as a Housing Investigator for FHCS.)				YE	S	NO □
2. Are you able to type?				YE	S	NO □
3. Are you able to use a word processing program (i.e., Microsoft Word)?				YE	S	NO
4. Do you know how to use the internet?				YE	S	NO
5. What experience, if any, do you have writing essays, narratives, or reports?						
6. Please indicate any additional skills, experiences, or information you wish to share in the space provided. Additional pages may be attached if needed.						

1. Please explain why you are interested in working as a Housing Investigator and what skills you have that would make you a good candidate (Use a minimum of 75 words).

2. Provide a detailed description of your current home (Use a minimum of 75 words).

#### **Testing Locations**

### 1. Please respond by indicating the areas you are willing to travel to in your role as a Housing Investigator.

Summit County	YES	NO I	Stark County	YES	NO
Portage County	YES	NO	Medina County	YES	NO
Tuscarawas County	YES	NO	Other Areas as needed	YES	NO
Rural Areas	YES	NO N	Urban Areas	YES	NO
2. Are there any areas (i.e. neighborhoods, real estate agents' offices, apartment buildings, etc.) where you believe that you should not test because you might be known or recognized?					NO
3. If yes, please specify:					

Emergency Contact Person					
1. Emergency Contact's Name					
2. Street Address & Apt. #					
3. City, State, ZIP Code					
4. Home Phone					
5. Cell Phone					
6. Work Phone					
7. E-Mail Address					
Agreement and Signature					
I certify that all information submitted by me on this application is true and complete, and I understand that if any false information omission, or misrepresentations are discovered, my application may be rejected. I agree to conform to Fair Housing Contact Service's rules and regulations, and I agree that my status as a tester and any compensation can be terminated "at will" with or without cause, and with or without notice, at any time, at either my or FHCS' option. I also understand and agree that the terms and conditions of my status as a tester may be changed, with our without cause, and with or without notice at any time by FHCS.					
Name (printed)					
Signature					
Date					
	Our Policy				
It is the policy of Fair Housing Contact Service to provide equal employment opportunity without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, family status, disability, age, military status, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression.					
Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in working with us.					