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The Fair Housing Council of Oregon,
Oregon Housing and Community Services Department and
Oregon Economic and Community Development Department
present

The 11th Annual FAIR HOUSING

To enter the
poster contest:

- Draw an original poster illustrating the theme.
- Send in your entry, and maybe you will be the lucky person whose poster is distributed across the state.



POSTER CONTEST

Open to Kids in Grades 1–8

Fair Housing is the name for the civil rights laws that protect an Oregonian's right to live where he or she chooses.


The theme for the 11th Annual Fair Housing Poster Contest is:

From Dream to Reality; Fair Housing for Everyone

The entry deadline is March 13, 2009.

Prizes will be awarded in three different age groups. Full contest details are on the back of this poster.
Mail entries to the Fair Housing Council of Oregon, 1020 SW Taylor Street, Suite 700, Portland, OR 97205

Contest Prizes



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◆◆ GRAND PRIZE ◆◆

\$100

Grades 1 through 3

* First Prize: \$75
* Second Prize: \$50
* Third Prize: \$25

Grades 4 and 5

* First Prize: \$75
* Second Prize: \$50
* Third Prize: \$25

Grades 6 through 8

* First Prize: \$75
* Second Prize: \$50
* Third Prize: \$25

What is Fair Housing?

Fair Housing is a set of federal, state and local laws which protect our right to equal housing opportunity by prohibiting illegal housing discrimination.

In 1968, the United States Congress passed the Fair Housing Act to address housing discrimination based on race, color, religion and national origin.

In 1974 and 1988, the Congress passed legislation which added protection from housing discrimination based on sex, familial status (having children under 18 in the household), and physical or mental disability.

In addition to the federal protections, the State of Oregon has laws that protect against discrimination based on marital status and source of income. Some cities protect age, occupation, sexual orientation and gender identity.

How does the Fair Housing Poster Contest help educate kids?

The poster contest is a great way to teach children about the importance of civil rights. The contest is a natural tie-in with lessons on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Black History Month. Congress actually passed the Fair Housing Act as a direct response to the assassination of Dr. King.

Children will also be interested in how fair housing protects their families. Before familial status protection was added to the federal laws, over 50% of landlords in the United States refused to rent to families with children. Familial status discrimination remains one of the most common types of discrimination in Oregon today.

For more information about fair housing history or the poster contest, please call (503) 223-8197.

◆ **Poster Identification**
The following information *must* be placed on the back of the posters in felt tip or ball point pen:

- ◆ The entrant's name, grade, school or youth program, and teacher or program staff person
- ◆ The name, mailing address, and telephone number of a parent/guardian


◆ **Entry Date and Process**
The entrant's school or organization should mail entries to the Fair Housing Council of Oregon by **March 13, 2009**. The address is:
Fair Housing Council of Oregon
1020 SW Taylor Street, Suite 700
Portland, Oregon 97205
Entries become property of the Fair Housing Council of Oregon and will not be returned.

◆ **Judging and Prizes**
Prize-winning entries will be selected on their originality, content, design, appeal, technique and craftsmanship. The panel of judges will be composed of individuals with backgrounds in art, education and/or fair housing.

◆ **Winning Entries**
All winning entries will be placed on display at numerous sites throughout the state in April as part of Fair Housing Month. The Grand Prize winner's poster will be reprinted and distributed to the general public.


Questions?
Call the Fair Housing Council of Oregon at (503) 223-8197.

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Fair Housing Poster Contest Rules

◆ **Theme**
From Dream to Reality; Fair Housing for Everyone

◆ **Purpose**
The intention of the poster contest is to increase awareness among young Oregonians of their right to equal housing opportunity. Federal, state and local laws prohibit discrimination based on:

- race
- color
- religion
- marital status
- sexual orientation
- national origin
- age
- gender identity
- occupation
- familial status
- disability

◆ **Poster Guidelines**
Posters must contain wording that addresses the theme:
From Dream to Reality; Fair Housing for Everyone

Posters must measure 12" x 18" on poster paper. Posters may be on similar material. Design the poster so it is horizontal. Materials used should be crayons, colored pencils, magic markers, tempera paint, pastels, or chalk.

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