



STOP!!

Hate Crime Is Illegal!

Hate crime is a criminal act directed against people because of their race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, or physical or mental disability. Hate crimes may involve conduct such as assault, homicide, arson, threats, or vandalism. Hate incidents are bias-motivated acts- such as threats or property damage- that do not involve criminal activity.

According to the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, in 2002 there were 347 hate crimes reported in the state of Pennsylvania. However, studies say that the actual number of hate crimes that are unreported are much higher.

The Fair Housing Council of Montgomery County is increasing its efforts to help those who are victims of housing related hate crimes, including harassment, intimidation, violence, and/or threats. Through the enforcement of the state and federal civil rights laws, those in the protected classes can fight back against hate.

If you or anyone you know thinks they may be a victim of housing discrimination, please contact us at:

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The Fair Housing Council of Montgomery County is a private non-profit fair housing organization started in 1990. The mission of the Council is to ensure equal housing opportunities to the residents of Montgomery County. The Council is the only agency solely dedicated to providing fair housing services to Montgomery County.

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