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INDIANA SIGN SHOWS BIAS

INDIANAPOLIS – The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana has been alerted (and has verified) that a sign stating “No More Chin” was posted in a Southport, Indiana neighborhood this week. Fortunately, neighbors which were appalled that this was occurring, alerted us, and took action.

According to the [Burmese American Community Institute Inc.](#), 146,026 Burmese refugees have been admitted to the United States since 2000. Of the 226,000 total number of Burmese in the United States, an estimated 80,000 and 20,000 reside in California and Indiana respectively, and approximately 14,000 are making Indianapolis their new home. Of those in Indianapolis, 85 percent of the refugees from Burma are of Chin ethnicity. They deserve a country and a home free of discrimination.

This is not the "Hoosier Hospitality" we hear so much about. Not only could this sign be a violation of fair housing laws, and actions appropriately taken, it is a form of graffiti meant to intimidate our neighborhoods and those residing or visiting in them.








If a person is discriminated against in a housing related transaction due to their race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, and/or familial status, this could be a violation of fair housing laws.



If you are aware of housing discrimination occurring in your community, please report it to us at info@fhcci.org or 317-644-0673. You can also learn more about fair housing laws at www.fhcci.org or via our [Facebook page](#). Please help us stop housing discrimination.

We felt it was important to share this information so the public knows this type of activity is occurring in our community. If you have any questions, please let me know.



The Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana (FHCCI) is a private, non-profit fair housing organization founded in 2011 and based in Indianapolis, Indiana. Its mission is to ensure equal housing opportunities by eliminating housing discrimination through advocacy, enforcement, education and outreach. To learn about the FHCCI or for more information, visit: www.fhcci.org

<p>DISCRIMINATION SAYS THEY CAN'T BE NEIGHBORS.</p>		
		
		
		<p>THE LAW SAYS THEY CAN.</p>




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The Federal Fair Housing Act protects your right to live where you want. In fact, in any decision regarding rental, sales, or lending, it is against the law to consider race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or family status. If you think you've been denied housing, please call us. **Fair Housing. It's not an option. It's the law.**

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