

FHCCI 13th Annual Fair Housing Conference (Virtual)
Wednesday, April 9, 2025 - DRAFT AGENDA
Fair Housing: Looking Out for All Futures

* all times are in Eastern Standard Time (EST)

8:00 AM	Conference Opens (get online and acclimate yourself to the conference platform, see sponsors, and review the agenda)
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	Workshop Tract 1 - Rental	Workshop Tract 2 - Lending/Sales	Workshop Tract 3 - Hot Topics
9:00 - 10:00 AM	Fair Housing 101	Fair Lending	Barriers to Attaining and Maintaining Homeownership
Description	The perfect start to your day - this session will cover all the basics when it comes to fair housing protections. This will provide the foundational knowledge to dive into some of the topics more deeply later in the day.	In this update, join to learn about the latest data surrounding concerning lending practices both locally and around the country. Findings from our latest reports and recent studies as well as recent cases will be discussed.	Jump start your day with this deep dive into some of the FHCCI's latest report findings! From investors buying up single-family homes in Indianapolis and the suburbs, to concerns around rising costs leading to foreclosures, this session will break it down for you! We'll also share our recent analysis on lending discrimination in Allen County / Fort Wayne, IN.
Speaker(s)	<i>Abigail George, Director of Enforcement & Investigations, HOME of Virginia</i>	<i>Amy Nelson, Executive Director, Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana</i>	<i>Hafsa Razi, Director of Systemic Investigations, FHCCI</i>

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10:15 - 11:15 AM	Fair Housing Disability Law Update	Land Contracts	AI & Tenant Screening
Description	Allegations of housing discrimination against those with disabilities have consistently been the greatest in number for the last several years. Join this session for an update on cases pertaining to disability protections under the Fair Housing Act. Topics will include: reasonable accommodations, reasonable modifications, animals for disabilities, and more!	When traditional mortgages seem out of reach, some turn to alternative financing options to purchase a home. Not all of these products are trustworthy. Land contracts are traditionally predatory in nature and targeted at certain groups within communities. Join this session to learn about these products, how they work, and signs to be on the lookout for to prevent becoming a victim to these exploitive contracts.	The process to screen tenants as part of the application process for rental housing continues to be a huge barrier to many looking to secure stable housing. Join this session to learn how the prevalence of AI factors into this process and the concerns around how this technology could further restrict access to populations that already face challenges to accessing safe, affordable housing.
Speaker(s)	<i>Tom Crishon, Chief Legal Officer, The Arc of Indiana</i>	<i>Sarah Bolling Mancini, Co-Director of Advocacy, National Consumer Law Center</i>	<i>Molly Kleinman, Managing Director of Science, Technology, and Public Policy at the University of Michigan</i>

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11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Stable Housing, Bright Futures for our Children	Fair Sales	Challenges to Rural Homeownership
Description	Join this session to learn about fair housing protections for families with minor children and for those who are pregnant. Topics to be discussed include: common forms of discrimination against families with children, best practices for occupancy standards, case law examples, and more.	Homeownership has traditionally been accepted as a major part of the "American Dream", but certain groups of people still experience major barriers to achieving that dream. In this update, join to learn about the latest cases as it relates to fair housing and sales transactions. Topics to be discussed include: common forms of sales discrimination, major barriers to homeownership, the latest case law examples, and more.	Join this workshop to learn about the unique challenges to becoming a homeowner in rural communities. The Pew Charitable Trust's Housing Policy team has been actively investigating these barriers and will share findings from their latest reports.
Speaker(s)	<i>Brianna Miranda, Education and Outreach Coordinator, Fair Housing Center of West Michigan</i>	<i>Scott Chang, National Fair Housing Alliance</i> <i>Sherill Frost-Brown, National Fair Housing Alliance</i>	<i>Adam Staveski, Principal Associate, Pew Charitable Trust</i>

12:30 - 1:00 PM	BREAK
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1:00 - 2:15 PM	PLENARY PROGRAM
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FHCCI Update/Thank Yous

Keynote Speaker: Chi Chi Wu, Senior Attorney, National Consumer Law Center (NCLC)

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2:30 - 3:30 PM	Housing Access Protections for People of Color	Overcoming Inherited Property Obstacles	Religious Based Protections & Hate Crimes
Description	This session will cover common examples of housing discrimination against people based on race, color, and national origin. Case law examples will be explained to further exemplify the fair housing protections against these types of discrimination.	Join this session for a presentation on the findings from the October 2024 report, "Turning Legacy into Opportunity: Overcoming Inherited Property Obstacles in Marion County & Allen County, IN". Issues surrounding an heir's right to property after a family member passes will be discussed, with specific examples related to when there isn't a will or there is an invalid will. This is a prevalent issue in many communities and places additional barriers to generational wealth building on families.	This session will look at the intersectionality between fair housing protections and religious hate crimes. Join to learn about the latest cases that exemplify religious-based housing discrimination and learn what a hate crime is, how it relates to fair housing, and more!
Speaker(s)	<i>Nikki Quintana, Executive Director and Lakisha Woods, Staff Attorney Fort Wayne Metro HRC</i>	<i>Roxann Lawrence, Assistant Vice President, Research and Evaluation at Black Onyx Management</i>	<i>Brady Ripperger, Deputy Director of Administration and Advocacy, FHCCI</i>

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3:30 - 3:45 PM		BREAK	
3:45 - 4:45 PM	Understanding Sex and Gender Housing Protections	Challenges of Insuring a Home	Health Impacts of Investor Landlords
Description	<p>This workshop will focus on fair housing protections across the gender spectrum. This will include topics such as protections against sexual harassment and retaliation, applicable protections for our LGBTQ+ neighbors, all with case law examples to illustrate real life scenarios.</p>	<p>Traditionally considered a modest cost associated with owning a home, communities are now seeing skyrocketing insurance premiums as a major barrier to achieving homeownership. Join this session to learn about homeowner's insurance, including the latest data on premium hikes, nonrenewals, and the communities more impacted by these issues.</p>	<p>As more and more housing is being purchased by corporate landlords, there are concerns around the impact that has on our communities. Join this session to hear the latest findings from Human Impact Partner's report describing the impacts this practice has on the public's health. Some of the areas of concern include: anxiety, lead poisoning, violence, poor birth outcomes, and more.</p>
Speaker(s)	Jaclyn Zarack Koriath, Director of Housing Advocacy, The Network: Advocating Against Domestic Violence	Sharon Cornelissen, Director of Housing, Consumer Federation of America	Sukhdip Purewal Boparai, Human Impact Partners
			Mariana Huerta, Human Impact Partners
			Will Dominie, Human Impact Partners
4:45 PM	Conference Closes		