

F A Q SHEET



Dauphin County invites your participation in the development of its 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, the 2022 Annual Action Plan, and an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing, which identifies fair housing issues and recommends solutions.

What is the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice?

Called an AI for short, it is a planning document that analyzes how well the County is expanding housing choice among members of the protected classes. Barriers to housing choice will be identified and an Action Plan will include strategies to eliminate these barriers.

What is fair housing?

It is an individual's right, established by federal law more than 50 years ago, to choose housing free from discrimination based on personal characteristics that have nothing to do with housing. Under federal law, it is the right to choose housing without regard to a person's race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, and familial status. Under Pennsylvania law, it is the right to choose housing without regard to a person's age (40+), pregnancy and ancestry. Persons who are protected from discrimination by fair housing laws are referred to as members of protected classes.

What does fair housing mean for me as a County resident?

Fair housing focuses on keeping your housing or searching for housing free from discrimination. It also includes having access to community assets such as employment, public transit, safe neighborhoods, quality schools—all the things that contribute to a good quality of life.

Why is the County preparing this document?

Annually, Dauphin County receives funding from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) to carry out affordable housing and community development projects that benefit low- and moderate-income residents. HUD requires the County to certify that it will "affirmatively further fair housing". The County can comply with this obligation by demonstrating it (1) implements its housing programs without discrimination against members of protected classes and (2) works to expand access to community assets for all residents.

How can I participate in this process?

There are several ways you can provide input. These are listed on the back of this sheet.

Who can I contact for more information?

If you have any questions contact Doug Brown, Deputy Director, Dauphin County Office of Community & Economic Development by phone at 717-780-6253, or by email at dbrown@dauphinco.net.

ONLINE SURVEY

Take our survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PWQVFJD> by October 31, 2021.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Attend one of the following public meetings:

Monday, October 18th, 2021, at 10:00 AM

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/386534885>

Monday October 25th, 2021, at 6:00 PM

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/899337365>



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