

## **CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT PROCEDURE**

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Civil Rights regulations and policies, Families & Children Together, Inc is prohibited from discriminating based on:

Name of Institution

- Race
- Color
- National origin
- Sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation)
- Religious Creed
- Age
- Disability
- Political Beliefs
- Reprisal or retaliation for prior civil right activity (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs).

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Person with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, larger print, audiotape, and American Sign Language) should contact the responsible State or local Agency that administers the program or USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, which can be obtained online at <u>USDA Discrimination</u> <u>Complaint Form</u>, from any USDA office by calling toll-free **(866) 632-9992**, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA.

Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

Email: program.intake@usda.gov FAX: (833) 256-1665

A written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient details to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3207 form or letter must be submitted to USDA. The letter must contain:

- Complainant's Name
- Address
- Telephone Number

## Non-discrimination Statement

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Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\_filing\_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

(1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or

(3) email: program intakea busda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.





## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights Program Discrimination Complaint Form

First Name:	Middle Initial:	Last Name:
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip code:
E-mail address (if you have Telephone Number starting Alternate Telephone Number Best Time of the Day to Rea	with area code: r starting with area code:	
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Address:	City:	State: Zip Code:
Telephone:	E-mail:	
1. Who do you believe discr	iminated against you? U	se additional pages, if necessary.
Name(s) of person(s) inv	olved in the alleged discr	imination (if known):
Please name the program v	ou applied for (if known/	if applicable):

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3. W D If	when did the discrim	ination occur	help show w		ude any
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	believe I was discri	illiaced again			

5. Remedies: How would you like to see th	nis complaint resolved?		
<ul> <li>Have you filed a complaint about the inagency or with a court?</li> <li>Yes: No:</li> <li>If yes, with what agency or court did yo</li> </ul>	cident(s) with another federal, state, or loc		
When did you file?	Day Year		
Signature:	Date:		
Mail Completed Form To: USDA Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Ave, SW, Stop 9410 Washington, D.C. 20250-9410	Telephone Numbers: Local area: (202) 260-1026 Toll-free: (866) 632-9992 Local or Federal relay: (800) 877-833		
E-mail address: program.intake@usda.gov	Spanish relay: (800) 845-6136 Fax: (202)690-7442		