



Where We Live NYC is a collaborative, City-led process to promote fair housing, confront segregation, and take action to advance opportunity for all.

our vision

The City of New York is working together with community leaders and residents to better understand how fair housing challenges like segregation and discrimination impact our everyday lives. Together, we will use this information to develop policy solutions and actionable strategies that move us towards a more just and inclusive New York City.

how it works



ABOUT THE TEAM

Where We Live NYC is led by the **NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD)**, in partnership with the **NYC Housing Authority (NYCHA)** and in close collaboration with numerous additional government partners.

The City is partnering with Hester Street and **community-based organizations** to lead Where We Live NYC Community Conversations with residents across all five boroughs. Partners include:

Ali Forney Center
Arab American Association NY
Asian Americans for Equality
Banana Kelly Community Improvement Association
Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled
Center for Court Innovation
Center for Independence of the Disabled NY
Chhaya CDC
Fifth Avenue Committee
Make the Road New York
Neighbors Together
SAGE Advocacy & Services for LGBT Elders
Sapna NYC



get involved

The success of Where We Live NYC depends on the participation of New Yorkers like you. Make sure your perspective is heard!

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Join our **mailing list** to stay updated



Share **your thoughts online** about fair housing issues



Find out where to join or lead a **community conversation**, and attend a public workshop



Is your organization interested in joining the **Fair Housing Stakeholder Group**? Contact: WhereWeLiveNYC@hpd.nyc.gov



what is fair housing?

1.

THE FAIR HOUSING ACT (1968) protects you from discrimination when you are renting, buying, or financing your home, based on your:

- Race
- Sex
- Color
- Disability
- National origin
- Family status
- Religion



2.

NEW YORK STATE and NEW YORK CITY HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS include additional protections based on:

- Age
- Citizenship
- Lawful job or source of income
- Gender, gender identity, or gender expression
- Marriage or partnership status
- Current children or plans to have children in the future
- Sexual orientation
- Experience as a survivor of domestic violence, sexual violence, or stalking
- Military service



3.

THE FAIR HOUSING ACT also requires cities to **affirmatively further fair housing**. This mandate is the inspiration behind Where We Live NYC. Through this effort, we will take proactive steps to confront segregation and address unequal access to opportunity through a balanced approach:

- Enabling people to move to the neighborhood of their choice or to stay in their current neighborhood, even as it changes
- Investing equitably in neighborhoods to ensure that all communities have the resources they need to thrive



why does fair housing matter?

We know that not all New Yorkers have equal access to the opportunities our city has to offer due to historic and present day injustices, which especially impact communities of color.



Can you find quality, affordable housing in neighborhoods where you want to live?



Do you have the option to send your children to schools with quality education and resources?



Are you close to reliable and accessible transportation options?



Is your neighborhood safe, healthy, and comfortable?



Do you consider your neighborhood diverse and welcoming?

The fight for fair housing has a long history in New York City and nationwide. Through Where We Live NYC, the City is helping to develop the next chapter of fair housing policies that fight discrimination, break down barriers to opportunity, and build more just and inclusive neighborhoods.