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DC to hold fair housing symposium

(Washington, DC) – The DC Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), the DC Office of Human Rights (OHR), and the Equal Rights Center (ERC) will host the District's 8th Annual Fair Housing Symposium from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28. The event will be held at the True Reformer Building at 1200 U Street, NW.

This year's theme is "Yes We Can! Prevent Housing Discrimination." Three panel discussions will call attention to issues relevant to advancing equality and fairness in housing: "Accessibility in New Construction is Your Right," "The Face of Housing Discrimination: Impediments to Fair Housing for Immigrants," and "Foreclosure and Predatory Lending: The Fair Housing Link."

The symposium is open to all District residents as well as community-based organizations, residential rental professionals, residential lending professionals, fair housing advocates, government and non-government direct service providers, and anyone with an interest in equal opportunity housing.

Admission is free but seating is limited. Registration is required. Please indicate if reasonable accommodations for seating are needed. Language translation and sign interpretation services will be available upon request to pre-registered attendees. Register online, www.ohr.dc.gov or call (202)727-4559. Advanced Registration ends April 21. For more information, call (202)727-4559.

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The mission of the [Department of Housing and Community Development](http://www.dhcd.dc.gov) is to create and preserve opportunities for affordable housing and economic development and to revitalize underserved communities in the District of Columbia. DHCD fulfills its mission by providing gap financing; increasing first-time homeownership opportunities; providing funding to rehabilitate single-family and multi-family homes; supporting communities through neighborhood based activities; providing funding for homelessness prevention; addressing vacant and abandoned properties; and overseeing the administration of rental housing laws. DHCD is located at 1800 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20020.