

Sexual Harassment

Don't Ignore It, Report It!



Sexual Harassment is prohibited by the Chicago Fair Housing Ordinance.

Housing providers (e.g., landlords) can be held responsible for:



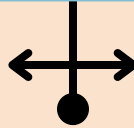
The conduct of their agents, such as leasing agents, maintenance technicians, or custodians. You must report their conduct to the housing provider.

A sexual harassment victim can be either the same sex or the opposite sex of the harasser.

Examples of sexual harassment in housing include:

A housing provider requiring a person to submit to an unwelcome request to engage in sexual conduct as a condition of obtaining or maintaining housing or housing – related services (Quid Pro Quo sexual harassment):

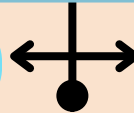
Landlord threatens to evict a tenant unless the tenant has sex with the landlord.



Maintenance person refuses to make repairs unless the tenant texts nude photos.

A housing provider subjects a person to severe or pervasive unwelcome sexual conduct that interferes with the person's housing (hostile environment sexual harassment):

Property manager makes numerous, frequent lewd comments to a tenant about their body.




Maintenance person repeatedly gropes a tenant.

What can you do if you are sexually harassed by a housing provider or their agent in your housing?

If you are being sexually harassed, you can file a complaint with the Chicago Commission on Human Relations (CCHR). Call CCHR's intake phone line (312-744-5879) for more information.

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There is no cost to file a complaint. Language Interpretation, including ASL, is available. Further accommodation requests can also be communicated through the intake phone line or via cchr@cityofchicago.org.