

# Metro Detroit Fair Housing News



An e-newsletter to you from the Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit

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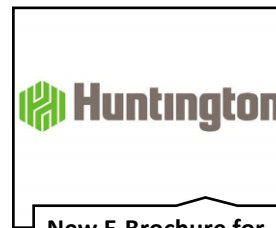
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## 2020 Annual Meeting



You are invited to participate in our 2020 Annual Meeting. The virtual meeting will take place at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. The Zoom meeting details are set forth on our website at <https://fairhousingdetroit.org/events/list/>. Our 2020 Annual Report is also on our website on the "About" tab.

Please take a moment to renew your membership. Membership information, both individual and corporate, is included on our website. Membership is a tangible reminder of your commitment to fair housing.

## Michigan Supreme Court & CDC's Eviction Moratorium



In a September 3, 2020 blog on our website, we discussed the Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) recent Moratorium Order. That blog contains a helpful link to preparing the CDC declaration letter. We have helped tenants with declaration letters.

The Michigan Supreme Court has issued Administrative Order 2020-17 to guide Michigan courts in handling an eviction case where a CDC declaration letter has been served on a landlord, mortgage company or other housing provider. The order requires each housing provider to verify in the eviction complaint whether a CDC declaration letter has been received. The CDC declaration letter will *not* stop an eviction case from progressing through court, and a judgment of possession may be obtained. The CDC declaration letter, however, will prevent a physical eviction from the housing unit until after December 31, 2020.

## Injunction Entered Against HUD's Implementation of Its 2020 Disparate Impact Regulation



HUD's 2020 Disparate Impact Regulation was scheduled to go into effect on October 26, 2020. On October 25, 2020, however, a U.S. District Court in Massachusetts entered an injunction halting HUD from implementing its 2020 Disparate Impact Regulation. *See Massachusetts Fair Housing Center v. HUD*, No. 20-11765 (D. Mass. Oct. 25, 2020).

## New E-Brochure Detroit Tenants



Due to a generous donation from the Huntington Foundation, the Center has prepared a free e-brochure entitled "*Detroit Guide to Landlord-Tenant & Fair Housing Laws*". The e-brochure seeks to inform tenants in Detroit of their landlord-tenant and fair housing rights. The new e-brochure, which is on our website, also addresses common problems and violations that we often see in our office.

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