

**Village of Edmore
FAIR HOUSING POLICY**



**EQUAL HOUSING
OPPORTUNITY**

The Village of Edmore is committed to fair housing and will work to ensure that the Village of Edmore housing developments comply fully with all state, federal and local fair housing laws. The Village has appointed its Village Manager as its fair housing contact. The Village of Edmore Manager has an understanding of the Fair Housing Laws and will insure their compliance.

The Village of Edmore has established a Fair Housing Log. The Fair Housing Log will be maintained by the Village Offices and will disclose information regarding any and all fair housing concerns and their outcomes. Fair housing issues identified in the community, such as in the newspaper, will be recorded in the log. Persons wishing to file a housing related complaint or concern will be referred to the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, HUD and their local Fair Housing Center.

Persons wishing to file a complaint or concern that is employment related will be referred to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Michigan Department of Civil Rights. The Village of Edmore Clerk will notify MSHDA if a complaint or concern is filed.

The Village of Edmore will make every attempt to reasonably accommodate all of its residents.

The Village of Edmore will post a Fair Housing poster in a location visible to the public. The Village will secure and distribute Fair Housing materials provided by MSHDA and various other Fair Housing agencies and organizations. "Fair Housing, It's Your Right" brochures will be distributed to all applicants.

The Village of Edmore will consider all applicants and contractors based on their qualifications. No applicant or contractor will be denied housing or a contract based on their race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, familial status or disability. Persons raising concerns regarding discrimination will not be retaliated against. The Village of Edmore will request that both minorities and women apply for assistance through the single-family and emergency assistance programs.

The Village of Edmore is committed to affirmative marketing and will identify local fair housing needs and barriers. The Village of Edmore will address these needs and barriers by establishing a plan to resolve and meet fair housing needs of the local community.

The Village of Edmore is committed to fostering and encouraging safe, affordable, decent and sanitary housing located in areas where people choose to live.

Adopted by the Village of Edmore on December 12, 2016.

RESOLUTION 2016-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF EDMORE COUNCIL ADOPTING THE FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING POLICY.

WHEREAS, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) has a grant program available within their Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Edmore has submitted a grant applications to restore the historic appearance of a local structure; and

WHEREAS, the MEDC/CDBG program requires participating municipalities to adopt the standardized Federal Fair Housing Policy; and

WHEREAS, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, gender, physical or mental disabilities or national origin; and,

WHEREAS, under the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, PA 453 of 1976, as amended, it is illegal to deny the opportunity to obtain housing to any person because of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status, or marital status; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Edmore considers adoption of the Fair Housing Policy and compliance with its provisions to be in the best interests of the Village, its residents and its property owners.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, it is the policy of the Village of Edmore to implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of religion, race, color, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, familial status or marital status.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Village of Edmore will post Fair Housing information and assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against because of religion, race, color, gender, physical or mental disabilities, national origin, age, height, weight, familial status, or marital status to seek equity under federal and state laws by providing information to said persons on how to file a complaint with the Michigan Department of Civil Rights.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS INsofar AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE AND THE SAME ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.

The Resolution was introduced by Trustee Hadley and supported by Trustee Ashbaugh
The Resolution declared adopted by the following roll call vote:

YEAS: Hadley, Ashbaugh, Deja, Davis, Kotenko

NAYS: Burr, Kohn

ABSENT:

Resolution approved for adoption on this 12th day of December 2016.

Tracy Fockler, Village Clerk