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Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Case Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Center: \_\_\_\_\_

## DO YOU RECEIVE HOUSING ASSISTANCE?

### IT'S ILLEGAL FOR LANDLORDS TO REFUSE TO RENT TO YOU!

A landlord cannot refuse to rent an apartment to you because you are paying the rent with government assistance, including housing vouchers such as **SECTION 8, LINC** or **CASH ASSISTANCE**.

### PLEASE CONTACT 311 TO REPORT A LANDLORD OR BROKER WHO:

- Rejects your voucher or refuses to process the paperwork to renew it.
- Refuses to rent an apartment to you because of where your money comes from.
- Refuses to take a voucher instead of a cash security deposit.
- Asks for a cash deal on the side.
- Refuses to do repairs to your apartment because of where your money comes from.
- Tries to discourage you from applying for an apartment.

Listen for phrases like:

- “We don’t take payments from this program” or
- “We’d prefer another source” to pay the rent.
- “Don’t you have any other income?”
- “OK, that program is fine, but can someone else guarantee the rent?”
- “We will take that program, but you still have to pay first month’s rent, security deposit, and a broker’s fee in cash upfront.”

If you have been a victim of discrimination, call 311 and ask to be connected to the NYC Commission on Human Rights, visit [www.nyc.gov/humanrights](http://www.nyc.gov/humanrights) or contact the NYC Human Resources Administration at **718-291-4141**.