

# Commission on Human Rights

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## **Take the Get on the Bus Free Historic Tour in Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati to honor Fair Housing Month in April**

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Kentucky Fair Housing partners announce the Get on the Bus Tour of historic African American sites in Elsmere, Covington and Newport, Kentucky.

The free bus tour is being held to help recognize the U.S. and Kentucky Fair Housing Month of April, which promotes the civil rights to live in housing in America and in Kentucky, free from discrimination.

The event will include a free walking tour of the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in nearby Cincinnati, Ohio, just minutes away from the Northern Kentucky cities included in the tour.

The Get on the Bus Tour will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EDT) on, Wednesday, April 25. See the attached flyer for more details.

Register for the tour by calling the Lexington Fair Housing Council toll-free at 1.866.438.8617 or the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights Northern Kentucky Office in Covington at 1.859.292.2935. When registering, please leave name, phone number and e-mail address if you have one.

The Get on the Bus Tour is sponsored by the City of Covington, Ky., the Covington Human Rights Commission, the Covington Center for Great Neighborhoods, Covington Independent Schools, the City of Elsmere, Ky., the City of Newport, Ky., the Lexington, Ky., Fair Housing Council, the Kentucky Housing Corporation, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center of Cincinnati, Ohio, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights.

The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights is the state government agency that enforces the Kentucky Civil Rights Act and the U.S. Civil Rights Act. It enforces the Kentucky Fair Housing Act and the U.S. Fair Housing Act. These laws make discrimination illegal.

All doors are open in Kentucky.

The Kentucky Civil Rights Act prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, and disability in the areas of housing, employment, public accommodations and financial transactions. In the area of housing it is also illegal to discriminate against families with children under the age of 18 (including pregnant women). In employment, discrimination is also illegal on the basis of age (over 40) and based on tobacco-smoking status.

For help with discrimination, contact the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights at 1.800.292.5566. Learn more by visiting [www.kchr.ky.gov](http://www.kchr.ky.gov). From there, link to the commission Face Book and Twitter pages for news and information.