

PENDER COUNTY
FY2010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ECONOMIC RECOVERY PROGRAM

FAIR HOUSING POLICY

WHEREAS, Pender County desires that the citizens of the county be afforded the opportunity to attain the national objective of a decent, safe and sound living environment; and

WHEREAS, Pender County deplors discrimination in the provision of housing on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, sex, national origin, young children in a family, or handicapping conditions; and

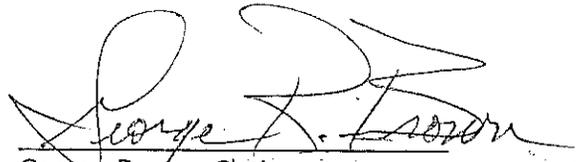
WHEREAS, Pender County desires that every citizen be afforded the opportunity to select a home of his or her choice; and

WHEREAS, Pender County wishes to ensure that programs and activities undertaken by the county relating to housing and urban development be administered in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing as required by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended; 24 CFR 107, Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity in Housing under Executive Order 11063; and the North Carolina State Fair Housing Act, NCGS, Chapter 41A;

NOW, THEREFORE, to accomplish the above, Pender County does adopt the following procedures for receiving and resolving housing discrimination complaints:

1. Any person or persons wishing to file a complaint of housing discrimination in Pender County may do so by informing Pender County Housing Authority at (910) 259-1208, or NC Human Relations Commission (919) 807-4420, Toll-Free (866) 324-7474, TDD# (919) 807-4420 (or Relay North Carolina TTY# 1-800-735-2962) of the facts and circumstances of the alleged discriminatory act or practice;
2. Upon receiving a housing discrimination complaint, the Pender County Housing Authority shall acknowledge the complaint with ten (10) days in writing and inform the North Carolina Human Relations Commission about the complaint. The county shall then assist the Commission and the complainant in filing an official written housing discrimination complaint with the Commission, pursuant to the State Fair Housing Act and Title VIII.
3. Pender County shall offer assistance to the Commission in the investigation and reconciliation of all housing discrimination complaints which are based upon events occurring in the county.
4. The Pender County Housing Authority shall publicize within the county that it is the local agency to contact with housing discrimination complaints.

Adopted this 2nd day of May, 2011.


George Brown, Chairman
Pender County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Rick Benton, Clerk to the Board