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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

**fax:**

(202) 690-7442; or

**email:**

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## **Rural Development**

### **Guidance for the Utilization of the USDA Nondiscrimination Statement**

#### **Full Nondiscrimination Statement**

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To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html) and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

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#### **Spanish Translation**

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género), orientación sexual, discapacidad, edad, estado civil, estado familiar/parental, ingresos derivados de un programa de asistencia pública, creencias políticas, o represalias o represalias por actividades previas sobre derechos civiles, en cualquier programa o actividad llevados a cabo o financiados por el USDA (no todas las bases se aplican a todos los programas). Las fechas límite para la presentación de remedios y denuncias varían según el programa o el incidente.

Las personas con discapacidades que requieran medios alternativos de comunicación para obtener información sobre el programa (por ej., Braille, letra grande, cinta de audio, lenguaje americano de señas, etc.) deberán comunicarse con la Agencia responsable o con el Centro TARGET del USDA al (202) 720-2600 (voz y TTY) o comunicarse con el USDA a través del Servicio Federal de Transmisiones al (800) 877-8339. Asimismo, se puede disponer de información del programa en otros idiomas además de inglés.

Para presentar una denuncia por discriminación en el programa, complete el Formulario de denuncias por discriminación en el programa del USDA, AD-3027, que se encuentra en línea en [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), o en cualquier oficina del USDA, o escriba una carta dirigida al USDA e incluya en la carta toda la información solicitada en el formulario. Para solicitar una copia del formulario de denuncias, llame al (866) 632-9992. Envíe su formulario completado o su carta al USDA por los siguientes medios:

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**When/Where to use the Full Statement?** The full USDA Nondiscrimination Statement must be posted in all RD offices in public view. Additionally, the full statement must be included on all materials produced by RD for public information, public education or public dissemination, unless the size of the material is too small to include the full statement (see *Short Nondiscrimination Statement*). All RD webpages must include a link to the full statement posted on the [USDA homepage](#).

Recipients of RD program assistance shall post the full USDA Nondiscrimination Statement in all recipient offices and include, in full, on all print and non-print materials, unless the size of the material is too small to include the full statement (see *Short Nondiscrimination Statement*).

**Short Nondiscrimination Statement**

“USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.”

Where appropriate, a recipient may state:

“This institution is an equal opportunity provider.”

**Spanish Translation**

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Where appropriate, a recipient may state:

“Esta institución es un proveedor de servicios con igualdad de oportunidades.”

**When/Where to use the Short Statement?** The short statement should be used if the material is too small to permit the inclusion of the full USDA Nondiscrimination Statement. The statement should be in the same print size as the text of the material.

Similarly, if an audio or video presentation does not lend itself to include the full statement, the presentation shall, in a conspicuous and meaningful manner, include the short statement.



June 15, 2020

Mr. Ed Good, President  
Mead Township  
51554 Wegee Rd.  
Bellaire, OH 43906

Re: Compliance Review – Equipment

Dear Mr. Good:

This letter is to advise you of the results of the recent Compliance Review completed on June 11, 2020.

The purpose of our review was to document compliance with Civil Rights laws and to ensure that no discrimination is observed in the delivery of your programs and services which were fully or partially funded by USDA, Rural Development. As part of our ongoing supervised credit responsibilities, our Agency will complete regular reviews throughout the term of the loan.

We are pleased to inform you that we found no instances of non-compliance and we have determined that your organization is in compliance with all Civil Rights laws and policies.

Enclosed is an And Justice for All Poster that needs displayed along with the Non-discrimination Statement that will need added to websites and letterhead.

We appreciate the opportunity to talk with you. If you have any questions, please contact me at 740-885-3299.

Sincerely,

TERESA ULLMAN  
Community Program Specialist