



# Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California

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## *A New Chapter for Fair Housing*

After more than 30 years, Fair Housing of Marin is changing its name. The new name: ***Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California***. “We need stronger advocacy of civil rights now more than ever before, and our name change is a reflection of this need,” says Executive Director, Caroline Peattie. “We believe that this name is a better representation of our advocacy, service area, and mission, which is *to ensure equal housing opportunity and to educate the community on the value of diversity in our neighborhoods*. We believe that this name is a better reflection of our advocacy, service area, and mission, which is *to ensure equal housing opportunity and to educate the community on the value of diversity in our neighborhoods*.”

“Our goal is to eliminate housing discrimination, one community at a time. The need for fair housing services has increased, and we have expanded our fair housing services to Sonoma and Solano Counties while continuing to serve Marin County, where we have been based since 1984. We will continue our focus on local issues, and want the advocacy work we engage in every day to be echoed in our new name.”

Director Peattie contends that the name change reflects the organization’s objective to meet a greater challenge and need, while continuing to develop and expand services in Marin County, where they have built a strong base over the last several decades.

You can visit their new website at [www.fairhousingnorcal.org](http://www.fairhousingnorcal.org) for more information on what's happening at Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California. Staff email addresses have also changed and can be found under the Staff tab of the website. The phone number remains the same. For fair housing-related calls, community members can call (415) 457-5025 or email [fhanc@fairhousingnorcal.org](mailto:fhanc@fairhousingnorcal.org).



*A local non-profit helping communities eliminate housing discrimination*

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“We look forward to continuing to provide our communities with stellar fair housing services,” said Ms. Peattie, “and we welcome the opportunity to further our work with all of our partners.”

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Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California (formerly Fair Housing of Marin) is a non-profit organization serving several Bay Area counties that provides free counseling, enforcement, mediation, and legal or administrative referrals to persons experiencing housing discrimination. Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California also offers foreclosure prevention counseling, seminars to help housing providers fully understand fair housing law, and education programs for tenants and the community at large. Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California is a HUD-Certified Housing Counseling Agency. Please call Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California at (415) 457-5025 or TDD: (800) 735-2922 for more information or visit [www.fairhousingnorcal.org](http://www.fairhousingnorcal.org).