

## CHRO Mission

The mission of the CHRO is to eliminate discrimination through civil and human rights law enforcement and to establish equal opportunity and justice within the state through advocacy and education.

### The Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities:

Enforces human rights laws that ban illegal discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, and credit transactions

Monitors compliance with state contract compliance laws and with laws requiring affirmative action in state agency personnel practices

Establishes equal opportunity and justice for all persons in Connecticut through education and outreach activities.

## Contact Information

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Bridgeport, CT 06604  
(203) 579-6246  
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West Central Region Office  
Rowland State Government Center  
55 West Main Street Suite 210  
Waterbury, CT 06702  
(203) 805-6530  
TDD (203) 805-6579

Eastern Region Office  
100 Broadway, City Hall  
Norwich, CT 06360  
(860) 886-5703  
TDD (860) 886-5707

Housing Discrimination Unit  
450 Columbus Boulevard  
Hartford, CT 06103  
(860) 541-3403

For more information, visit our website  
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## Commission on Human Rights & Opportunities



## Stop the Bullying



## Bullying and antidiscrimination law

Tel: (860) 541-3400

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*Bullying based on the following categories is discriminatory.*

*It is unlawful to bully someone because of their:*

Race	Sex
Color	Sexual Orientation
National Origin	Gender Identity or Expression
Alienage	Marital Status
Ancestry	Domestic Violence
Creed (Religion)	Victim Status
Disability (mental, physical, intellectual, learning or perceived disabilities)	Veteran Status
Age	Lawful Source of Income
	Clean Slate



The CHRO may be able to help.

## Discriminatory Bullying is against the law

Connecticut Law defines bullying as:

Repeated written, oral and electronic communications or physical acts and gestures by one or more students directed at or referring to another student attending school in the same school district that:

- Cause physical or emotional harm to the student or damage to his or her property
- Put the student in reasonable fear of harm to themselves or damage property
- Create a hostile environment for the student
- Infringe on the student's right at school, or substantially disrupt the education or orderly operation of school

The best ways to combat bullying include telling the individual engaging in the bullying behavior to stop and sharing the experience with a trusted adult who may be able to help.

Individuals who believe that the school has failed to adequately address bullying should contact CHRO to investigate.

## Additional anti-bullying resources

CT Department of Education

450 Columbus Boulevard,  
Hartford CT 06103  
(860) 713-6543  
[www.ct.gov/SDE](http://www.ct.gov/SDE)

For LGBT-based bullying:

Lambda Legal

National Headquarters  
120 Wall Street, 19th Floor  
New York, NY 10005-3919  
(212) 809-8585  
[www.lambdalegal.org](http://www.lambdalegal.org)

For disability-based bullying:

Disability Rights Connecticut

846 Wethersfield Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06114  
(860) 297-4300  
<https://www.disrightsct.org/>

Contact your local police department if the bullying becomes physical or threatening.