

The SDCLT raised and spent more than a million dollars on technical studies, development plans and operating costs. I feel deeply saddened that our non-profit development effort could not deliver to the funders who supported us the sixteen homes with three or four bedrooms and two bathrooms for sale in Nestor for roughly \$300,000. We owe the Catholic Campaign for Human Development and LISC an enormous debt which we can only pay if a land trust is created.

We know that what we have learned is VERY valuable, and we never wanted to "own" the SDCLT. We called ourselves the "Founding Board of Directors" hoping somebody would adopt us and create a permanent Board of Directors of which 1/3 would be renters or owners of CLT properties; 1/3 would be partners (funders, City officials, technical resource people); and 1/3 would be representatives of the community at-large).

Our work with Habitat for Humanity demonstrates one of our successful efforts to find partners and share what we've learned.

I respectfully request your help in delivering on Mr. Gentry's promise so our city is delivered a comprehensive evaluation of Community Land Trusts. In addition, the money we spent and the work we did will not be a total loss.

Should you be unable to fulfill the promise made, then I would request that this letter be included in public comment at the October 2022 meeting of the Housing Commission. Should this item make the agenda, please include this letter in public information materials

Thank you very much.

Richard Lawrence

Former Chair of the SD Community Land Trust and the SD Affordable Housing Coalition

P.S.

After a very painful disagreement with the Chair of our Advisory Board and fearing my reputation as a troublemaker was hindering the success of the CLT, I resigned from the Board but never lost faith in what a CLT could do for San Diego.

Board of Directors,

I am bringing to your immediate attention the pattern of violations of fair housing laws that I have experienced while participating in housing programs administered by the San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC). As a member of a protected class—being an elderly, disabled Hispanic woman, and recognized as the Woman of the Year in California for my service in 2021—I find it essential to advocate not only for myself but also on behalf of many other participants who are facing similar challenges.

1. SDHC concealed my rights under the Violence Against Women Act mandated by **PL 102-322**. SDHC's administrative analyst ignored my questions, leaving me with no choice but to navigate the situation alone.
2. The Unilateral Termination of my Voucher by SDHC, without notice, in an attempt to leave me homeless, constitutes a violation of **Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964**
3. The withholding of my hearing package, infringed upon my Fifth Amendment due process rights. Arriving only five days before the hearing, providing inadequate time to present crucial information. Additionally, my requests for the name and contact information of the hearing officer remain unanswered.
4. Refusing me access to my records violates the **Freedom of Information Act**. Despite multiple attempts to communicate with Ms. Bell, VP of Rental Assistance, and CEO Jeff Davis, I have not received my records for two months, significantly hindering my ability to review and advocate for my case, in violation of Sec 109: Housing Act of 1974. Despite prompt email openings indicated by my tracking system, I have not received any response, suggesting a pattern of non-professional conduct within SDHC, even with Congressman Steve Padilla's involvement.
5. Denied a Reasonable Accommodation request, contravening **Titles II & III: Americans with Disabilities Act 1990**. Despite providing a doctor's note supporting my request, it was denied within two days, and no alternative or offer of appeal was afforded, subjecting me to a discrimination.
6. Discrimination & Harassment: During in-person interactions at SDHC on Ruffin Rd in 2020, I felt mistreated, subjected to racial profiling by Supervisor Ms. Arms, infringing on the **California Housing Act**. My many requests for a different service coordinator and supervisor, were ignored; unaddressed.
7. As an elderly individual, I was excluded from decision-making processes that affected my well-being. When I requested a continuance through Director Manuel Galvan, there was no response, causing severe panic and anxiety. After six days, I received a response with the word "Final" underlined, which felt intimidating and threatening.

I have documentation for all incidents. Many others face similar challenges, and we gather evidence to show violation patterns.

We seek guidance on reporting to HUD's Office of Inspector General or HUD's Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity office.

Discrimination, harassment, and indifference must not be tolerated in housing services administration. We urge The Board to take prompt and comprehensive action to rectify these violations. Kindly respond to our complaint within 14 days, providing reasonable accommodations.

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