

# *Equal Opportunity Is the Law*

The Workforce Solutions Lower Rio, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, must provide the following notice that it does not discriminate on any prohibited ground.

## **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IS THE LAW**

It is against the law for this recipient of federal financial assistance to discriminate on the following bases: against any individual in the United States, on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth, and related medical conditions, sex stereotyping, transgender status, and gender identity), national origin (including limited English proficiency), age, disability, or political affiliation or belief, or, against any beneficiary of, applicant to, or participant in programs financially assisted under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, on the basis of the individual's citizenship status or participation in any WIOA Title I—financially assisted program or activity. The recipient must not discriminate in any of the following areas: deciding who will be admitted, or have access, to any WIOA Title I—financially assisted program or activity; providing opportunities in, or treating any person with regard to, such a program or activity; or making employment decisions in the administration of, or in connection with, such a program or activity. Recipients of federal financial assistance must take reasonable steps to ensure that communications with individuals with disabilities are as effective as communications with others. This means that, upon request and at no cost to the individual, recipients are required to provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities.

## **WHAT TO DO IF YOU BELIEVE YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION**

If you think that you have been subjected to discrimination under a WIOA Title I—financially assisted program or activity, you may file a complaint within 180 days from the date of the alleged violation with either:

- the recipient's Equal Opportunity Officer (or the person whom the recipient has designated for this purpose); or

- Director, Civil Rights Center (CRC), US Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N-4123, Washington, DC 20210 or electronically as directed on the CRC website at [www.dol.gov/crc](http://www.dol.gov/crc).

If you file your complaint with the recipient, you must wait either until the recipient issues a written Notice of Final Action, or until 90 days have passed (whichever is sooner), before filing with the CRC (see address above). If the recipient does not give you a written Notice of Final Action within 90 days of the day on which you filed your complaint, you may file a complaint with CRC before receiving that notice. However, you must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the 90-day deadline (in other words, within 120 days after the day on which you filed your complaint with the recipient). If the recipient does give you a written Notice of Final Action on your complaint, but you are dissatisfied with the decision or resolution, you may file a complaint with CRC. You must file your CRC complaint within 30 days of the date on which you received the Notice of Final Action.

If you wish to file a complaint, please ask for the Workforce Solutions Office manager, or contact:

Workforce Solutions Lower Rio Grande Valley  
Flor Leal, Chief Executive Officer/ Deputy Director/ EO Officer  
3101 W. Business 83  
McAllen, TX 78501  
(956) 928-5000/ (956) 661-2975  
Relay Texas: 711 or  
1-800-735-2989 (TDD)  
1-800-735-2988 (Voice)

Jon Pokorney, TWC EO Officer  
101 E. 15th Street, Room 556  
Austin, Texas 78778  
(512) 463-2400 / Fax: (512) 463-7804  
Relay Texas: 711 or  
1-800-735-2989 (TDD)  
1-800-735-2988 (Voice)



Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.  
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