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Michigan Department of Civil Rights Offices Open by Appointment Only

*To File a Complaint of Discrimination, go to Michigan.Gov/MDCR or call
1-800-482-3604*

LANSING, MICH. In line with Governor Whitmer's [declaration of a state of emergency](#) due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the Michigan Department of Civil Rights will close all offices to walk-in traffic, effective immediately until further notice. Individuals who have an appointment will be admitted to the Department's offices.

Any individual who wishes to file a complaint of unlawful discrimination or request information can do so online at Michigan.gov/MDCR, by email at MDCR-INFO@michigan.gov, or by calling 1-800-482-3604.

"While our physical offices will be open only by appointment, the Department of Civil Rights will continue to do business as usual during this emergent situation," said MDCR Interim Director Mary Engelman. "We encourage anyone who feels they have been discriminated against to contact us and file a complaint by phone or through our website."

The Michigan Department of Civil Rights is charged with investigating and resolving discrimination complaints and works to prevent discrimination through educational programs that promote voluntary compliance with civil rights laws. The Department also provides information and services to businesses on diversity initiatives and equal employment law. For more information on the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, go to www.michigan.gov/mdcr.

Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at Michigan.gov/Coronavirus and CDC.gov/coronavirus.

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