



Reasonable Accommodations and Modifications under the Fair Housing Act:

The Fair Housing Act requires the Carver County Community Development Agency (CCDA) to provide reasonable accommodations and permit reasonable modifications for applicants and residents with disabilities when necessary to ensure an equal opportunity to use and enjoy housing. This includes access to dwelling units, common areas, and housing-related services.

Reasonable Accommodations

A reasonable accommodation is a change, exception, or adjustment to a rule, policy, practice, or service that may be necessary for a person with a disability to have an equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling, including public and common use spaces.

To be considered necessary, there must be an identifiable relationship (or nexus) between the requested accommodation and the individual's disability.

How to Request a Reasonable Accommodation

- A request may be made verbally or in writing.
- No specific words or forms are required.
- The individual must make clear that they are requesting a change because of a disability.
- The request should describe the accommodation being requested.
- If the disability or need is not readily apparent, the relationship between the accommodation and the disability may need to be explained.

Reasonable Modifications

A reasonable modification is a structural change made to an existing dwelling or common area that may be necessary for a person with a disability to fully use and enjoy the premises.

Reasonable modifications may include changes to:

- The interior or exterior of a dwelling unit, and/or
- Common or public use areas.

To be considered necessary, there must be an identifiable relationship (or nexus) between the requested modification and the individual's disability.



Cost of Modifications

- Reasonable modifications are generally made at the expense of the applicant or resident.
- Restoration of the unit to its original condition upon move-out is also generally the responsibility of the resident.
- At properties receiving certain federal funding, CCCDA may be required to pay for approved modifications, as required by law.

How to Request a Reasonable Modification

- Requests may be made verbally or in writing.
- The request should describe the modification being requested.
- If the disability or need is not readily apparent, the relationship between the modification and disability may need to be explained.

Request and Verification Process

Applicants or residents requesting reasonable accommodation or modification may be asked to complete a Reasonable Accommodation/Modification Request Verification only if:

- The disability is not readily apparent, or
- The need for the accommodation or modification is not obvious.
- The request does not need to identify or disclose the specific disability.
- The request should clearly explain the accommodation or modification being requested and its connection to the disability, if not readily apparent.
- With the individual’s written consent, CCCDA may seek verification from a qualified third party to confirm the need for the request.

CCCDA reviews all requests in accordance with applicable fair housing laws and will engage in an interactive process when needed.

<p>IMPORTANT INFORMATION</p> <p>The Carver County CDA provides free interpreter services, upon request.</p>
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<p>COV LUS QHIA TSEEM CEEB</p> <p>Qhov chaw Carver County CDA muaj neeg txhais lus dawb, yog koj xa tau kev pab.</p>
<p>ВАЖНАЯ ИНФОРМАЦИЯ</p> <p>По Вашей просьбе Carver County CDA может бесплатно предоставить Вам услуги переводчика.</p>
<p>INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE</p> <p>Carver County CDA proporciona intérpretes a su pedido, gratis para Usted.</p>
<p>MACLUUMAAD MUHIIM AH</p> <p>Carver County CDA waxa ay idiin heli kartaa tarjubaan lacag la'aan ah, haddii aad codsataan.</p>