

Equal Opportunity Is the Law

It is against the law for the State of Arizona, as a 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, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation or belief; and
- Against any beneficiary of programs financially assisted under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA), on the basis of the beneficiary's citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States, or his or her participation in any WIOA Title I-financially assisted program or activity.

The State of Arizona 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.

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 Local Office

Ana Polakowski
Local Area EO Officer
Arizona Workforce Connection
900 Carmelita Drive
Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
Phone: (520) 439-3541
Fax: (520) 417-9910
apolakowski@cpic-cas.org
TTY/TTD: 520-452-7667

Or

State of Arizona

Lynn A. Nedella
State WIOA EO Officer
Employment Administration
Department of Economic Security
1789 West Jefferson, Site Code 920Z
Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Phone: (602) 542-3957
Fax: (602) 542-2491
TTY/TDD: 7-1-1
Email:
WIOAStateEOOfficer@azdes.gov

Or

Civil Rights Center

Naomi M. Barry-Perez, Director
Civil Rights Center (CRC)
U.S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue NW
Room N-4123
Washington, DC 20210
Phone: (202) 693-6500
Fax: (202) 693-6505
TTY: (202) 693-6516

- If you file your complaint with the State of Arizona, you must wait either until the State of Arizona issues a written Notice of Final Action, or until 90 days have passed, (whichever is sooner), before filing a complaint with the Civil Rights Center (see address above).
- If the State of Arizona does not give you a written Notice of Final Action within 90 days of the day on which you filed your complaint, you do not have to wait for the State of Arizona to issue that Notice before filing a complaint with CRC. 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 State of Arizona).
- If the State of Arizona 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.