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ANN ARBOR, MI - The Fair Housing Center welcomes Richard Rothstein, author and renowned scholar, on March 29th as guest speaker at the 5th Annual Fair Housing Breakfast, a benefit for the FHC. The program will run from 8:30 – 10:30 AM at Weber’s Inn in Ann Arbor. Tickets for the event are available at www.fhcmichigan.org/breakfast and advanced registration is required.

Rothstein's talk will offer a powerful historical view of American cities and the explicit discriminatory housing policies and practices on a local, state, and federal level. Extensively researched, his book "The Color of Law" was designated one of the ten finalists on the National Book Awards' long list for the best nonfiction book of 2017. Rothstein is an authority on housing policy, a research associate of the Economic Policy Institute, and a Fellow at the Thurgood Marshall Institute of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and the Haas Institute at the University of California (Berkeley).

The Fair Housing Center is a civil rights organization serving eight counties across southeast and mid Michigan. Our mission is to end discrimination in housing and public accommodations and to promote accessible, integrated communities. The Breakfast is our primary fundraising event, with money raised going to provide investigative services, testing, advice, advocacy, conciliation, attorney referral and community education.

This event is only made possible thanks to the generosity of our Sponsors (as of 2/23/2018):

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The Fair Housing Center of Southeast and Mid Michigan, founded in 1992, actively protects the civil rights of those who are discriminated against in the rental, sale, or financing of housing through investigation, education, advocacy, and legal action. The FHC takes an average of 160 complaints each year from its eight-county service area – Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Jackson, Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe, and Washtenaw counties.

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