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APRIL 30, 2020



Community Mediation & Restorative Services, Inc.

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HOW CAN I HELP?

We need volunteers to help with the following:

Housing Mediations

Zoom Mediations/
Restorative Conferences
(We will train you!)

Development Committee

Contact Mia at
services@cmrsmn.org to
find out how you can be of
service to your community

SERVICES

Our on call staff are
excited to connect you to
community members and
resources!

Call us at 763-561-0033

Email us at:
referrals@cmrsmn.org

CMRS COVID-19 FUNDRAISER FOR HOUSING STABILITY MEDIATIONS

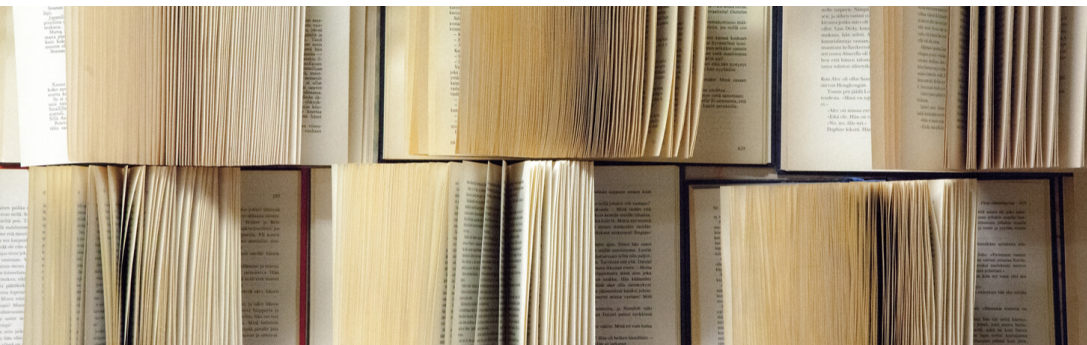
We may be in the same storm, but we are not all in the same boat. About a third of American renters didn't make payments at the beginning of April, foreshadowing massive housing displacement – unless we act now. In Minnesota we are facing an oncoming tsunami of eviction filings when the moratorium lifts. (Note: the moratorium is on evictions but rent is still due.) Resource providers - including community mediators - need to ramp up interventions NOW, working collaboratively to flatten the eviction curve. Having mediated over 15,000 landlord-tenant mediations, CMRS knows mediation keeps people from becoming homeless. Working with our partners at the Tenant Resource Center and NW Hennepin Housing Collaborative, CMRS will be "all hands on deck" as we bridge the conversation gaps between landlords and tenants and tenants and emergency resources in the coming days, weeks and months. This urgent need for our services falls at a time when CMRS is facing its own COVID-related financial challenges. Can you help? Make a secure credit card donation through our [GiveMNCampaign](#).

Contributions options:

- Text CMRSCovid to 443-21
- Mail check to CMRS to 9220 Bass Lake Rd, Ste 270 New Hope MN 55428. Make a secure credit card donation through our GiveMNCampaign
- Please let us know if your gift is made in honor of someone. CMRS is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.



RECONNECT WITH CMRS



CMRS COFFEE CHAT

CMRS Coffee Chat Date: Friday, May 1, 2020 @ 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Location: Online (comfort of your own office or home)

Topic: Health Care and Housing

Please join us as we chat about what is the affordable housing crisis, what CMRS is doing in the housing realm and where volunteers might be able to help.

[NY Times Article: The U.S. Approach to Public Health: Neglect, Panic.](#)

[Repeat By Jeneen](#)

How to Join Us on Fridays:

Join Zoom Meeting via computer:

<https://communitymediationmn.zoom.us/j/98340624451>

Meeting ID: 983 4062 4451

One tap mobile

+16465588656,,98340624451# US (New York)

+13126266799,,98340624451# US (Chicago)

If interested please contact Madeline, at vista@cmrsmn.org or 320-339-8333 .

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION:

HOMESCHOOLING WHILE WORKING

Community Conversation: Homeschooling While Working?

Date: May 12, 2020 @ 7:00-8:00pm

Location: Online (comfort of your own office or home)

Join our Zoom gathering to discuss the challenge that parents are facing now with homeschooling and working simultaneously. What has worked for you (if anything?) Share your funny stories. Do you have ideas? Are you looking for ideas from others? Are you looking for support? Let's gather to have a brainstorming discussion and learn from each other.

Topic: Community Conversation: Homeschooling and Working

Time: May 12, 2020 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://communitymediationmn.zoom.us/j/95882541894?](https://communitymediationmn.zoom.us/j/95882541894?pwd=dDjiN2o3OGJlNUVzcFpScWJhZ0duUT09)

[pwd=dDjiN2o3OGJlNUVzcFpScWJhZ0duUT09](https://communitymediationmn.zoom.us/j/95882541894?pwd=dDjiN2o3OGJlNUVzcFpScWJhZ0duUT09)

Meeting ID: 958 8254 1894

Password: 553079

PODCAST OF THE WEEK

[On 50th Anniversary Of Earth Day, What You Can Do For The Environment](#)

by Shortwave, NPR

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

[Caring for the Environment Helps to Care for your Mental Health](#)

- What are some ways you can be a steward for the earth and reduce stress?

COMMUNITY BUILDING IN SCHOOL

Are you curious about what CMRS is doing in schools during the COVID-19 crisis? Click on these links to see.

[Webinar on Restorative Practices](#)

[Schools Newsletter](#)

ONLINE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



ZOOM MEDIATION TRAININGS

Are you interested in learning how to use Zoom for Mediations? Or are you simply interested in learning how to use Zoom for more complex meetings? This training can help you learn how to navigate Zoom.

We are looking to build our capacity to handle mediation online. Are you interested in learning more about how to do that too? Join us for a learning session on Zoom.

Date: Tuesdays May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2020 from 12pm-1pm

Location: Online (comfort of your own office or home)

Cost: Free for CMRS Mediators/ \$50 for others

Class Size: Limited to 6 per class

[Click Here to Sign Up](#) or Go to the Trainings page on the CMRS website.

Questions: Contact Mia at services@cmrsmn.org for this training- Space is limited per session.

HOUSING MEDIATORS QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Join us for an update on housing issues. We are in need of some more housing mediators. If you are interested in joining us then this will help to answer any questions you may have!

Topic: Updates on Housing /Q & A

Led by: Beth Bailey

Time: Tuesdays at 3:00pm

[Join Zoom Meeting By Clicking Here](#)

Meeting ID: 967 7207 4839

Password: 702726

CIRCLE CONVERSATION FOR FAMILIES

Food is important - not only do we need food to just survive but food also is used when welcoming people to a home or a space, food is often used in celebration, people gather around together and eat together! We often use food in restorative practices as well. Think about all the times and meals you've had with family, friends, at the lunch table. Food is often a form of socializing. What's one of your favorite meals? Does your family have any special meals they eat only at a certain time of the year for a holiday, maybe a birthday?

INTRO TO RESTORATIVE PRACTICE ONLINE WEBINAR

Interested in learning a little more about Restorative Practices?

[Check out our Webinar on our YouTube Channel.](#)