

NOTICE OF RESIDENTIAL EVICTION MEDIATION PROGRAM

FREE EVICTION MEDIATION IS AVAILABLE

You have been served with an eviction complaint that could cause you to lose your home. The Circuit Court for the Sixth Judicial Circuit has adopted a rule establishing a Residential Eviction Mediation Program to assist tenants facing eviction. This program is available to all tenants and landlords involved in eviction litigation.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

The Residential Eviction Mediation Program (Program) involves a pre-mediation conference in which the tenant and landlord come together to explore their options. Options for obtaining rental assistance maybe explored during the pre-mediation conference. If no agreement is reached during the pre-mediation conference, the case may be set for a full mediation. More than one pre-mediation conference may be held, as needed.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN?

Eviction cases will be evaluated at their first appearance Court date for entry into the Program. Enrollment to the Program will be determined by the Presiding Judge or by agreement of the parties. Assistance in enrollment may also be facilitated by Land of Lincoln Legal Aid or Dispute Resolution Institute, Inc.

REMEMBER

While no court action will be taken against you while the mediation process is ongoing, there is noguarantee that an agreement can be reached between tenant and landlord.

TENANTS: Do you need to consult with an attorney about your eviction case?

BEFORE your hearing contact: Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation - 855-601-9474

LANDLORDS AND TENANTS: Is there rent owed for March 2020 or later months?

Please visit - <https://evictionhelpillinois.org/> or call 855-631-0811 or text 844-938-4280

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE: Should you require language assistance, or an interpreter, assistance can bearranged through Rosa Druker, Programs Coordinator, who can be reached at 618-549-1500 or case@dri-inc.org

LANDLORDS AND TENANTS: DO YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS: Please contact Rosa Druker, ProgramsCoordinator, at 618-549-1500 or case@dri-inc.org