## SF 0830 & HF 0497

## **Statewide Housing Mediation Program**

SF 0830 & HF 0497 establishes baseline funding for a housing mediation program to support renters and residential rental property owners; \$4,400,000 (\$2,200,000 annually for FY 26 & FY 27).

Stable housing is the cornerstone of a safe and stable community, and housing mediation provides an avenue for both renters and property owners to maintain that stability.

Expanding access to mediation services will help to reduce the negative consequences of evictions for families, schools, employers, neighborhoods, and communities.

"CMM's eviction mediation efforts have worked because I've seen them work first-hand, and often.

I've recommended CMM to my colleagues in other counties because I believe that this will work

anywhere. I strongly support continued funding for CMM's efforts."

Judge Charles Webber, Scott County

## Housing Mediation Helps Both Owners and Renters:

For property owners, mediation is a way to:

For renters, mediation is a way to:

Provide critical housing in communities

Maintain housing stability (prevent eviction/displacement)

Maintain rental income and financial stability

Create a plan to catch up on past due rent and address repairs

Improve communication and relationships with renters

Improve communication and relationship with the property owner

We are a statewide network of certified nonprofit service providers with skilled mediators ready to help Minnesotans caught in conflict.

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