



Mediation Services

Celebrating 30 Years of Peaceful Resolutions

Newsletter

March 1, 2024



Brown Bag Lunch & Learn

Join us for a monthly Brown Bag Lunch & Learn. Bring your lunch to the Holland Office or tune in over Zoom (link to be sent via email). You bring the lunch and we supply the learning! The schedule for the remainder of the year:

- April 10- Restorative Practice Overview
- May 8- What Can and Cannot Be in an Agreement
- June 12- Braver Angels, Bridging the Political Divide by Teaching Skills
- July 10- Zoom Facilitator/Zoom Hosting Tips and Treats
- August- No Lunch and Learn
- September 11- What to know about Court Orders: Personal Protection Orders, No Contact Orders, etc
- October 9- What is the Domestic Case Screening? Why don't we call it the the DV screening?
- November 13- Introduction to Family Communication Apps





Volunteer Opportunities

In addition to Mediator volunteer opportunities we also are need of volunteers for the following:

- Mediation compliance checks
- Host Zoom Mediations
- Schedule Mediations

Support and training offered.

Email cathy@mediationservices.works

or

Call (616)399-1600

Director Penny Shuff Sworn In- CORRECTION

Mediation Services Director of Development and Marketing was recently sworn in as the newest member of the **City of Holland Human Relations Commission**. Thank you for your dedication to our community, Penny!

From the Desk of the State Court Administrator's Office: The National Center for State Courts hosted a webinar on effective communication for individuals with disabilities in court. Click below to view.



Mediation Services Featured

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Director's Corner

March this year is a busy and exciting month here at Mediation Services and for me

personally. On March 5, I have my "double nickel" birthday. I am taking the morning off from the office to run 5.5 miles around downtown Holland with my running partner. Running my age on my birthday is a tradition I started when I turned 50.

I decided a long time ago that the greatest gift I could receive on my birthday is the gift I can give to others. Every year for the last five years I have asked for donations to my favorite nonprofit. This year my favorite nonprofit is, of course, Mediation Services! Would you consider donating \$55 to celebrate my 55 years? Just scan the code below to donate or stop by the office. If you stop by the office with your \$55 donation you can enjoy some of my favorite birthday cake, confetti angel food with strawberries and whipped cream.

Fifty-five years ago on March 5, in Council Bluffs, Iowa I was born to a 17 year old girl who knew she didn't have the support to keep me. She told the doctor she didn't want to hold me or see me, because it would be too hard to give me up. Despite being a sick and low birthweight infant my parents opened their hearts and their home to me, becoming my forever family. I always knew I was adopted with my mom reminding me every year that I didn't grow under her heart, but grew in it. I consider every single day as an opportunity to honor my parents whose unfaltering love has helped make me the woman I am. ~ Cathy Anthofer-Fialon

**My goal is to raise \$2,000 on or before March 5.
I only need 36 people to donate \$55 to make my goal!
Scan the Code below with your phone to donate \$55 today.**



Your Support is Needed
30 Years of Peaceful Resolution to Conflict.
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