

Our Vision is for communities to have the tools to resolve conflict creatively and reach meaningful, equitable solutions.



Get Help from CRCSTL!

Reach Out!

Upcoming Events

September 9th · 6pm–8pm <u>Transforming 911 Storytelling Event and Photo Exhibition with Forward Through</u> <u>Ferguson</u>

September 10th · 7:30am–2:15pm 26th Annual SLACO Regional Neighborhoods Conference

September 10th · 10am–2pm Photo ID Clinic

September 27th · 6pm–8pm • October 25th · 6pm–8pm <u>Renters' Town Hall</u>

September 29th · 6pm–7:30pm <u>AMM Welcome Reception and Meet & Greet</u> (free to attend, no registration required)

September 30th · 9:30am–4:30pm Association of Missouri Mediators Annual Conference: The Psychology of <u>Negotiation and Mediation Practice</u>

October 25th · 6pm–8pm <u>Renters' Town Hall</u>

October 28th · 6pm–8pm <u>Transforming 911 Storytelling Event and Photo Exhibition with Forward Through</u> <u>Ferguson</u>



Out and About with CRCSTL



Mediator Apprenticeship Program (MAP) Graduation

July 8th

Celebrating our newest cohort of Mediators! MAP Graduation for two cohorts of participants. Our program is an educational opportunity that provides mediators with hands-on experience in the field of mediation. Each participant goes through training, completing the Missouri Rule 17 Training as well as numerous hours of mediations and educational components. Way to go <u>mediators!</u>



Annie Malone Family Fest

August 13th

Our hearts were filled seeing all of the kids and families (sooo many!) at this new Back to School event at the Annie Malone center on Page. Snow cones, backpacks, haircuts, and prizes were given, and so many smiles. Annie Malone CEO Keisha Lee & STL City Treasurer Adam Layne had a hula hoop contest! We will be back!

Ward 27 Cleanup

July 23rd

We had the pleasure of participating in the Ward 27 Community Clean Up & Agency Resources event last month with Alderwoman Pamela Boyd! It was HOT, but that didn't stop us from having some fun, meeting the amazing people of Ward 27, and making connections within the STL community. Thank you for having us!

Thanks to St. Louis City for the above photo!



Urban League Back to School Expo

August 6th

How much fun we had at this year's Expo! The Urban League thought of everything, from haircuts to backpacks and food giveaways. There was boxing, Financial Family Feud, and much more. We met some amazing families!



Community Housing Network Event

August 18th

We love participating in this bi-annual event, this year was our first time in person! While CRCSTL is a 3rd party neutral, we promote our services to both renters and landlords. This event helps landlords connect with partner agencies to help house low- to moderate-income residents. A lot was learned and connections were made! Our special guest speaker Aja Owens from Cori Bush's office opened our event and we received great updates from Dr. Yusef Scoggins from the City of St. Louis Dept. of Human Services.

Indigenous Peoples' Day

Wolf Smith CRCSTL Executive Director

On Monday, October 10th, our offices will be closed to honor Indigenous Peoples' Day. We encourage you to reflect on what it means for us to live on stolen land, and the opportunities to learn from and work with indigenous people. <u>Here's an article</u> to learn more about the fraught history of St. Louis and the White taking of indigenous peoples' lands and monuments.

Wise Words...

from Our Board

Conflict occurs between family, neighbors, community organizations, businesses, etc. - often daily. While we cannot prevent all conflict, we can improve and help how we handle it. CRCSTL mediators are neutral, thirdparty individuals who care and want to help parties solve their disagreements. Misunderstandings and other miscommunications can lead to conflicts. CRCSTL provides a safe place where parties can be heard with the help of dedicated, trained professionals and volunteer mediators who are culturally sensitive to the parties' needs and our community.



Jesse De Graftenreed III CRCSTL Board Chair



With your support, CRCSTL can help unite and support St. Louis by educating, training, and volunteering in our community. If you are interested in volunteering with CRCSTL or would like to be notified of future training classes, fill out our volunteer interest form.

Volunteer with CRCSTL!



We are excited to announce that the St. Louis Mental Health Board recently awarded CRCSTL a grant to expand our conflict resolution services to middle school-aged and high school-aged youth in schools. CRCSTL will partner with three St. Louis City middle or high schools to implement an innovative, **student-led peer mediation program** that will foster student leadership development and educate students on healthy and productive methods of resolving conflicts within the school community.

Please be on the lookout for more updates about this exciting pilot program! For more information, you can visit **crcstl.org/peermediation**. If you have any interest in getting involved with the program as a partner school or community volunteer, please email **kristin@crcstl.org**.

Partner Spotlight

City of St. Louis Department of Human Services

We appreciate and would like to recognize the wonderful work that the City of St. Louis' Department of Human Services continues to provide. This department coordinates programming and funding through five divisions, the Office on the Disabled, Homeless Services, the St. Louis Area Agency on Aging, Youth and Family Services, and Veteran's Services coordination. As an example of a few programs they operate, this summer, they sponsored and coordinated a Free Summer Food Program at 30+ sites along with community resource partners. The Area Agency on Aging staff and volunteers from AARP help seniors and persons with disabilities apply for Circuit Breaker funding. Without a doubt, one of their most prominent efforts has been to help guide the Rental Assistance programs during the pandemic. Their work behind the scenes was heroic and has helped so many St. Louis citizens, KUDOS to these unsung heroes!





Workplace Solutions

Returning to the Office? CRCSTL Workplace Solutions is here to help! We offer mediation services between managers, employees, and co-workers, de-escalation training, and empathy training. Contact us to find out about more solutions for your workplace.

Learn more about Workplace Solutions

How can we help you?

Neighbor disputes? Landlord or Tenant Issues? We can help!

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