



Dane County Community Restorative Court Newsletter



NOVEMBER 2019 PEACEMAKER GROUP

DECEMBER 2019

Back row (L-R): Al, Linda, Emily, Mary, Felicia, Greta, Helen, Chris
 Front Row (L-R): Bob, Bailey, Molly, Mike, Cassie
 (Missing from photo: Nick)

GROUP 12

Welcome to our newest group of Peacemakers!

The November 2019 Peacemaker training was another incredible experience for the CRC staff. These fourteen individuals spent four evenings together creating a meaningful community of what we are sure will be amazing Peacemakers.

As one of the smaller, but more diverse groups CRC has trained, we were able to spend our time listening and connecting to each other throughout our two weeks together. The CRC has a geographic breakdown for Peacemakers to ensure involvement from across Dane County. Each of our four quadrants, plus the City of Madison, was represented in this group.

Some of the Peacemakers have already been able to participate in a circle, and we hope to give everyone an opportunity to participate in a circle within the next couple of months. We are confident you will all be an asset to the program.

For any other Peacemaker who has not been contacted for a circle within the last six months, please contact Jackie at CRC (hammond.jackie@countyofdane.com) with your updated contact information and availability. We are working from our postcards and the Peacemaker training records as we want to include everyone interested in being involved in the CRC community.

Thank you!

NEW OFFICE LOCATION FOR CRC PROGRAM

CRC is excited to announce our program will soon move to our new location. Since beginning as a small program piloted on the southside of Madison in 2014, CRC continues to experience significant and steady growth. The increase in referrals has meant an increase in staff positions, and a need for more space to hold circles and meet with respondents.

We are fortunate to have secured space in The Badger Building right next door. Located at 818 W Badger Road, this building provides ample space for staff offices, training, and parking, while providing excellent access to public transportation and the Madison Metro South Transfer Point.

The CRC program will co-locate with the newly created Dane County Department of Human Services Immigration Affairs Office, and the JFF Badger Road office. Plans are still being finalized, for the anticipated first day of business as March 2, 2020. Please watch your email for updates.

We are grateful to Centro Hispano and the staff for their support and friendship over the last 5 years.



All Dane County Offices, including CRC, will be Closed the following days:

Tuesday, December 24
Wednesday, December 25

Tuesday, December 31
Wednesday, January 1

Monday, January 20, 2020

We wish each of you a safe and Happy New Year!

THOUGHTS AND APPRECIATION AS WE END THE YEAR

As we move to end 2019, the CRC staff would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all of our Stakeholders, Peacemakers, Partners and other individuals who comprise our CRC community. We are grateful for the commitment each of you have made to support Restorative Justice in Dane County. The positive growth of CRC is a testament to all of your combined efforts.

A few weeks ago we received an inspiring message by email from one of our Peacemakers. She expressed what so many of our Peacemakers tell us after circles- this program is meaningful to everyone involved as we create a healed community.

I spoke with two of my friends who recently went through the Peacemaker Orientation process. They were so moved by the orientation and the program. They report that they felt like the orientation created a community and they feel so passionate about their work as Peacemakers. It sounds like the orientation was such a success. I continue to feel so privileged to be a part of the Dane County Community Restorative Court program. Thanks to all of you for your passion and commitment.

CRC could not operate without you. We hope to see each of you in the New Year!

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