



SUMMARY OF PROGRAM

The Neighborhood Mediation Program (NMP) is a collaboration of the City of Stow, the City of Tallmadge, the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the University of Akron School of Law to provide citizens with an avenue to resolve conflict with neighbors. Everyone cherishes the sanctity of his or her own home. Occasionally, situations arise between neighbors that affect the health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood and the peace of the community. The NMP provides a FREE, voluntary pathway to facilitate communication between disputing parties and provides a mechanism to reach a mutually agreeable resolution.

INITIAL REFERRAL

Police departments, Law Departments, Zoning Departments, City Council, etc., may field an initial complaint from a citizen regarding a concern about a neighbor. If the matter seems appropriate for NMP, the complaint is referred to the Director of Law, and/or designated staff of the city of residence. The Director of Law will attempt the coordination of a mutually agreeable date

MATTERS FOR NMP

Examples of matters that are usually appropriate for mediation include disputes as to:

- Tree branches
- Use of easement
- Snow plowing
- On-street parking
- Animals
- Noise complaints
- Disposal of rubbish
- Basic watercourse issues
- Other basic disputes that affect the health, safety, and welfare of the neighborhood.

MATTERS NOT FOR NMP

Examples of matters that are not usually appropriate for mediation include disputes as to:

- Pending or potential criminal violations of the Codified Ordinances
- Matters pending in Civil Litigation
- Property line disputes requiring a survey
- Items already acted upon by the referring city.

IN and time for mediation between the parties.

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