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FORECLOSURE WORKSHOP SET FOR MAY 21st

Are you behind on your house payments? Have you tried to contact your mortgage lender, but have received no response? Have you been contacted about refinancing but are you afraid it might be a scam?

How do you know whom to trust?

In an effort to help answer these questions, a free, in-person informational workshop is being sponsored by Milwaukee County Treasurer Dan Diliberti in conjunction with the UW-Extension and the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council. The workshop is designed to provide people who are behind on their mortgage or property tax payments with information on what they can do to avoid foreclosure.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday evening May 21st at the Wauwatosa Library at 7635 W. North Ave. Some of the topics to be discussed at the workshop include how to avoid people who try to take advantage of your financial problems and how to evaluate refinancing options offered by reputable banks or credit unions such as home equity loans, personal loans, or reverse mortgages. Staff from the Treasurer's



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Office will also be available to help you establish a payment plan to avoid foreclosure for delinquent property taxes.

Treasurer Diliberti urged anyone facing difficulties with mortgage or tax payments to attend the workshop.

“While it is the duty of my office to collect property taxes necessary to run vital county programs,” Diliberti explained, “we often find that the property owners with delinquent property taxes may also be facing other financial difficulties. This workshop is designed to help people to understand their choices and alternatives, and to learn to recognize the predatory lenders that are out there trying to take advantage of people’s financial difficulties.”

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