

MVCC Position Statement

CITY-WIDE RENT AND MORTGAGE FORGIVENESS

Los Angeles is in the middle of a pandemic and a public health crisis. Every aspect of our lives and City has been impacted by COVID-19. The Governor and Mayor have issued stay-at-home orders. Millions, who have been forced out of work, are not able to earn a living. The virus has claimed over 100,000 lives and has changed our communities for the foreseeable future.

Currently, many states and cities have eviction moratoriums in place for individuals impacted by COVID-19; however, the moratorium that the City of Los Angeles has implemented does not go far enough to offer **Rent and Mortgage Forgiveness**. People need to know that they will be protected and will not be thrown out of their homes.

Elected officials from multiple U.S. cities - Boston, New Orleans, New York City, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, St. Paul and right here in Los Angeles - have stood up and joined the call for State and Federal legislators to provide rent and mortgage relief during the duration of this crisis.

We, the Mar Vista Community Council, on behalf of a proud, diverse, and inclusive Westside Community, stand with our stakeholders, neighbors, family, and friends in supporting City-wide rent and mortgage forgiveness, as provided for in Congresswoman Ilhan Omar's proposed Congressional Bill, Emergency Rent and Mortgage Cancellation Legislation, that provides for rent and mortgage forgiveness.