

## **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. There are a lot of people that have been forced out of work and are not able to earn a living. The virus has claimed multiple lives and changed us 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 doesn't 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 cancel rent payments and impose a mortgage moratorium during the duration of this crisis.

**We, the Mar Vista Community Council, stand with our stakeholders, neighbors, family and friends in supporting City-wide rent and mortgage forgiveness.**