



**Family Services
Incorporated**

Landlord/Tenant Mediation

Before filing for eviction occurs, consider mediation

Blair County has a free mediation process available for tenants and landlords.

Mediation provides a way for both parties to;

- Address and resolve concerns
- Communicate in a natural way without legal technicalities
- Recognize similar needs: housing stability and financial recovery
- Avoid litigation, its costs and negative impacts
- Emphasize communication and an on-going relationship.

Mediators will help you address back rent, payment plans, maintenance needs and prevent evictions.

How mediation works:

- A trained, neutral, third party mediator helps facilitate conversation.
- Each person is given a chance to explain their point of view.
- Everyone jointly decides the issues to be resolved
- Possible solutions are considered, and the best ones are chosen
- In most cases, a written agreement signed by all parties with the intention to uphold concludes a successful mediation.

For more information or to arrange for mediation, call Family Services Incorporated at (814)944-3583 extension 324

Participation in mediation does not guarantee financial assistance.

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