



**FIRST 5 MARIN**

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**Spotlight:**

## **Fair and Affordable Housing** -- at the



**Marin Communications Forum on Wednesday, December 8th - 10 am to Noon**

First 5 Marin has partnered with Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California to present this important community forum.

- We will begin with [data on affordable housing](#) in Marin County, presented by Lisel Blash from the **Marin Environmental Housing Collaborative**.
- Next we will be briefed on the housing element issue and [Marin's assigned allocations for affordable housing](#) by LeeLee Thomas from the **Marin County Community Development Agency**.
- Then we hear about [fair housing issues](#) from Caroline Peattie, executive director of **Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California**.
- Next, Maria Arroyo from the **Marin County District Attorney's Office** will talk about [landlord-tenant issues](#).
- And Lucie Hollingsworth from **Legal Aid of Marin** will discuss [eviction issues](#).

**Q&A!** Our event will conclude with questions from the online audience. (Please write your question in the chat box.)

**To RSVP,** email [Michelle@First5Marin.org](mailto:Michelle@First5Marin.org). A zoom link will be

provided with your registration confirmation.

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**Help Me Grow**

**101 - Video**

**Featuring Dr. Paul Dworkin**



**Help Me  
Grow**  
MARIN COUNTY

Watch the new video from the [Help Me Grow National Center](#), featuring Help Me Grow founder, Dr. Paul H. Dworkin.

The talk helps to explain what the Help Me Grow Model is, how it came to be, the problems it aims to solve, and how the Help Me Grow National Affiliate Network is working on behalf of young children and families across the country. [VIDEO LINK.](#)

**Help Me Grow Marin is here to help you!**

Visit our website [www.HelpMeGrowMarin.org](http://www.HelpMeGrowMarin.org) or connect with us on [Facebook](#).

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**DESKTOP:**  
**What We're Reading**

Take a look at some of the recent articles



about important issues related to children and families:

**The New York Times:**  
**COVID Shots are a Go for Children, but Some Parents are Reluctant to Consent**

**Bloomberg:**  
**How Child Care Became the Most Broken Business in America**

**Slate.com:**  
**Can Democrats Fix "the Most Broken Business in America?"**

**NYU:**  
**Precarious Parental Employment is Increasing the Likelihood of Childhood Poverty, NYU Study Says**

**The New York Times:**  
**Why Some Dads Don't Take Leave: They Think They'll Be Punished**

**Politico:**  
**How many teachers are needed to make universal pre-K possible?**

**The Atlantic:**  
**Why Child Care Is So Ridiculously Expensive**  
Three broad reasons obtaining care for kids now costs as much as buying a brand new Hyundai Elantra each year.

**EdSource:**  
**84% of Parents are Overwhelmed by the Cost of Child Care, Survey Shows.**

**New America:  
Who Should Teach in America's  
New Pre-K Classrooms?**

**The Sacramento Bee  
Parents could get a lot of help  
with Biden child care plan. How  
long will it last?**

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**NEW DATE:**

First 5 Marin's Policy  
Breakfast has been changed  
to **Friday, May 6, 2022.**

This event is being planned  
for the Embassy Suites  
Hotel in San Rafael. Agenda  
and keynote speaker  
coming in the new year!