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# ARM Newsletter

(Association for Responsible Management)

*Fulfilling the Need for Quality Housing*

**Meeting Date: September 13, 2012 at 10 a.m.**

## Meeting Topics—Youth Programs and Housing Link

One of the guest speakers for the September 13th meeting will be Officer Colleen Bouta. She will share information regarding youth programs available in the City of Brooklyn Center including the Juvenile Diversion Program and opportunities available through the Brooklyn Center School District with the opening of the new Recreation Center.

Mr. Josh Dye from Housing link will discuss the programs available through this non-profit housing agency which offers a variety of housing related services to owners, landlords, and renters.

## Window Safety

Each year about 5,000 children fall out of first and second story windows leading to injury and sometimes death. Window screens are designed to keep out the bugs, not children from falling out. Of the reported falls, boys were more likely to fall out than girls and children ages 0-4 are at higher risk than children ages 5-17. The highest injury rates were children who are 2 years old. Majority of the falls occur during the spring and summer months when windows are often open the widest.



Since a child fell out of a window in Minneapolis, MN Statute 1303.2300 was adopted as an amendment to the 2006 International Building Code requiring fall protection for windows such as fall prevention screens, guards, or other devices but only in certain circumstances. The code regarding fall protection is required for new construction (1303.2300), when windows are replaced, and where a permit is required (1303.2330). However, all property owners and management companies should check with their attorneys regarding the above MN Statute.

Many of the falls can be prevented by doing these simple things:

- Remove furniture away from windows that children can climb on.
- Set and enforce rules that children cannot play in or around windows - ie. jumping on the bed.
- Close and lock windows, Don't leave windows open more than 4 inches.
- Do not leave children unsupervised.

Sources: <http://thechart.blogs.cnn.com> and [www.cincinnatichildrens.org](http://www.cincinnatichildrens.org)

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## ARM Meeting Dates

ARM Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month (every other month) starting in January.

Brooklyn Center City Hall  
City Council Chambers  
6301 Shingle Creek Pkwy  
10:00 a.m.

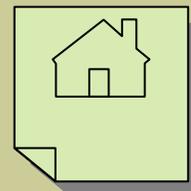
**September 13**

**November 8**

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**January 10**

**March 14**



If your rental license is a Type III or Type IV, please remember that you or your representative must attend at least two ARM meetings before the expiration of the license.