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# As 2025 comes to a close

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our community partners and donors for advancing our mission to expand access to alternative dispute resolution.



2026 will mark an exciting new focus area and the Foundation's 10th anniversary—a milestone we're excited to celebrate with you. We look forward to sharing more developments in the year ahead.

AAA-ICDR FOUNDATION  
**PODCAST**



Featuring  
**Hon. Bruce Meyerson**  
Chair, AAA-ICDR Foundation

New Episode

In Episode 3 of the Foundation's podcast, Executive Director Tracey Frisch speaks with Foundation Chair Bruce Meyerson about the Foundation's history and its impact in areas such as police-community relations, civic dialogue, and ADR scholarships. Hear how access to dispute resolution is helping communities resolve conflict and build understanding.

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## AAA Diverse Student Summit

This November, the American Arbitration Association® (AAA) hosted the AAA Diverse Student Summit in New York City, bringing together law students for a weekend of insights on becoming successful arbitrators and mediators. Thanks to the Foundation's Diversity Scholarship Program, each participant received a travel and lodging stipend.

A special thank you to our speakers who shared their time and experience—your mentorship is shaping the next generation of ADR professionals.



## HBCU ADR Scholars

The Foundation proudly announced nine new **ADR Scholarship recipients** from Howard University School of Law and North Carolina Central University School of Law. We're honored to support these outstanding students as they pursue their legal and ADR careers.



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## Southern California Mediators Association Annual Conference

In October, Tracey Frisch joined AAA-ICDR Foundation® grantees—Groundswell, Peace in Education, Conflict Resolution Institute by VCDS, and Loyola Law School's Center for Conflict Resolution—at the Southern California Mediators Association Annual Conference.

Through the Community Peacebuilding Coalition of Southern California, formed in partnership with the National Association for Community Mediation and funded by the Foundation, these organizations provide free mediation services to communities impacted by the greater Los Angeles wildfires.



## Building Equity in Volunteer Mediator Pools

At the 2025 Association for Conflict Resolution Annual Conference, Cassie Lively, PhD, AAA vice president and former executive director of the Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR), joined Israel Putnam and Stephen Sullivan to share how CCR—supported by the Foundation—revamped its Mediator Mentorship Program to promote diversity and inclusion across its volunteer network.

Click **here** for a Guide for Enhancing Mediator Roster Equity from Concept to Implementation.



As we reflect on our 2025 accomplishments, the need for ADR has never been greater. Your continued support helps us expand access to peaceful conflict resolution worldwide. If this year's progress inspires you, please consider making an additional contribution to advance our mission.

## Support the Foundation's Mission

We are deeply grateful to our partners, donors, and supporters who make this work possible. Wishing you a joyful and peaceful holiday season from all of us at the AAA-ICDR Foundation.

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