The vision of the LMU Center for Urban Resilience (CURes) Restorative Justice Project (RJ Project) is to impact systemic education reform and transform social structures towards a more just society. Aligning with LMU’s mission of education of the whole person, Restorative Justice Practices are based on principles that emphasize how positive relationships are central to building community and involve processes that restore communities when harm naturally occurs. To make an impact, the RJ Project provides educational trainings, Restorative Conferencing facilitation services, and ways to collaborate.

**TRAININGS**

Restorative Practices help teach Social and Emotional Learning skills such as understanding and managing emotions, exhibiting empathy, and establishing and maintaining positive relationships. The RJ Project provides trainings to equip educational institutions with safe, inclusive, and effective tools to develop relationships that can create a healthy educational environment for all stakeholders.

**RESTORATIVE CONFERENCES**

When conflict occurs, Restorative Conferences can help hold the responsible parties accountable for misconduct and behavior. A trained facilitator gathers affected parties and their supporters to discuss:

1. What happened?
2. How has everyone been affected?
3. What can be done to repair the harm & make sure this never happens again?

Restorative Conferences help parties connect with much needed resources and provides a discovery process whereby underlying problems are addressed.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONSORTIUM**

We aim to bring Higher Education institutes, Archdiocesan and public school districts, and Nonprofit organizations together to:

- Collaborate on scholarship and best practices to build efficacy by creating a strong network of RJ Practices educators and practitioners;
- Educate future generations of RJ leaders for scholarship, practice, and implementation by increasing support for RJ Practices in educational institutions;
- Research education and implementation processes to establish and disseminate best practices in the region; and
- Create a regional model that can be replicated nationwide.

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