# NEWS for Youth Work Professionals March 20, 2014

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# **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Sisterhood of the Traveling Scarf**

A tiny thrift shop called the Sisterhood Boutique is an enterprise of a group of young (14-23 years) East African women who call themselves the Sisterhood of the Traveling Scarves. After meeting and planning for nearly two years at the Brian Coyle Community Center, the young entrepreneurs opened their store in February 2014. See story and video at TC Daily Planet.

#### The Juvenile Justice Resource Hub

Research and information on juvenile justice issues and trends. Developed by the Juvenile Justice Information Exchange and the National Juvenile Justice Network with support from the MacArthur Foundation, the Hub recently added a section on racial-ethnic fairness, alongside existing sections on mental health and substance use disorders, community-based alternatives, and juvenile indigent defense.

# Minneapolis Students Prepare for 'Life Saving' Graduation Requirement

Beginning next school year, a new MN state law will require all students to take a CPR course in order to graduate. View a <a href="KSTP story">KSTP story</a> about the first group of students that took the course at Southwest High.

# **STEP-UP Mock Interviews**

STEP-UP is looking for Mock Interview volunteers for the evenings of March 25-March 27! This event is an inspiring way to spend an evening and help young people succeed in their jobs this summer and beyond. Mock interviewers talk one-on-one with interns and provide feedback and suggestions for improving their skills. Your feedback to these talented youth can significantly impact their confidence and ability to succeed in a professional setting. Register here. For more info, contact Emmy Higgs Matzner or 612-455-1535.



#### **EVENTS**

#### YouthCARE Pancake Breakfast

Mar. 22, 9-11:30AM, Van Cleve Park, 901 15 Ave. SE \$5 donation to raise money for the 2014 Lock-In. Questions? Call 612-338-1233 or email Sondra.

Go to the Movies and Support Northrup School: March 22

Northrop Urban Environmental School and the Riverview Theater are hosting a day at the movies to support the 5th grade camping trip to Grand Marais. It will be the first camping experience for many of the kids. Buy a \$5 ticket online and use it for any film at the Riverview Mar. 22. Print out the receipt you receive via e-mail as your ticket. Fundraiser tickets must be purchased in advance to make a donation. Can't make the event? Buy a ticket and your \$5 will go directly to help fund the trip.

# **EDTalks: Why Art Matters + Discovery of Self**

April 10, 6-7:30PM, Honey, 205 East Hennepin, Mpls. DeAnna Cummings, Executive Dir./co-founder, Juxtaposition Arts, a youth cultural development center; and Jane Barrash, Executive Dir., Continuum Center and creator of the Discovery of Self program. <a href="EDTalks">EDTalks</a> are networking/education events to engage young professionals in public education issues. For more information, contract Cassandra or 612.455.1570.

#### Youth Day at the Capitol: April 10

Educate policy makers about the issues that face MN youth and the need for a comprehensive approach to youth policy. To participate, set up a meeting with your legislator(s) and arrange to bring some youth with you to the Capitol on April 10. Find all the information and you need to make your experience positive here.

**<u>Heading Home Hennepin</u>** Brown Bag Lunch & Learn

April 23, Noon-1PM, Simpson Shelter, 2740 1st Ave S. Family Homelessness Research-Professor Maria Hanratty, Humphrey School of Public Policy will present new research on family homelessness. Every 4th Wed. of the month Heading Home Hennepin hosts a free lunch hour session on topics related to our community's work to end homelessness. All sessions are at Simpson. Questions: Matthew Ayres, 612-239-5798.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH**

#### Theater Employment for Youth: COMPAS ArtsWork

Summer employment in theater for youth ages 14-21 at Dreamland Arts in St. Paul. No experience necessary. June 16 – July 25, 20 hours a week; pay is \$7.25/hr. Hiring up to 16 apprentices. Half of the positions are reserved for youth with disabilities. Application deadline is Mar. 31. Interviews are in mid-April. Youth gain experience in the theater, writing, directing, performing, managing lighting, sound, costumes and sets, props, marketing, field trips to other theaters to learn about set design, costumes and technology. Info and applications <a href="mailto:here">here</a> or email <a href="mailto:betsy@compas.org">betsy@compas.org</a>.

# **TEEN TEAMWORKS Urban Environmental Youthworker Positions Available**

Work as part of an 8-10 member work crew under the supervision of an adult on-site supervisor assisting with projects that have a positive impact on parks and lakes including planting, mulching, invasive plant removal, sweeping, mowing lawns, sifting sand, litter removal, cleaning up the shore line, trimming shrubbery, edging grass and watering freshly laid sod. Attend paid on the job educational sessions weekly.

QUALIFICATIONS: Minneapolis resident, 14 -18 or 19-24 years of age, with the desire to work, ability to work well with all types of people and follow instructions. \$7.25 per hour. Begin June 16 and end August 15. Must complete attached application and background check. For additional information, contact Teen Teamworks at 612-313-7744 or 612-313-7745.

# **Printing Industry Midwest Internship**

Students (16-21 years) can explore graphic arts and printing careers this summer. Submit application by April 15. For more info, contact Kris at 651-789-5508

#### **Teen Job Fair**

April 26, Noon – 3PM, Minneapolis Central Library Connect with businesses and organizations for information about jobs, employment training, internships and volunteer opportunities. Attend a "Get A Job Now" workshop for tips on how to find and land a job, and a "Who We Hire" panel where managers describe what they look for in employees. Some of the employers who have pledged to participate are McDonalds, Cookie Cart, Abrakadoodle Art Education, Camp TEKO, Hennepin County Library Super Kinder and Teen Tech Squad, Inner City Tennis, Izzy's Ice Cream, LeeAnn Chin, Lund/Byerlys, Mall of America, Old Navy, Tree Trust, Venture North Bike & Coffee, Youth Enterprise.

#### 2014 Minnesota Summer Camp Guide

It's not too early to get camp plans in place.

# **ADULT TRAINING**

#### **Behavioral Institute for Children and Adolescents (BICA)**

BICA offers training including in-services workshops, keynote addresses, one and two-day regional topical events, mentoring, and college courses in collaboration with institutions of higher education. A spring series of \$10 workshops will cover practical information, especially useful for educators seeking renewal hours. Starts Mar. 25 with "Love without Boundaries -Death Education for Teachers (Children's Grief)", 6-8 pm.

# **ADULT EMPLOYMENT**

#### **Public Allies: AmeriCorps**

Public Allies aims to engage new high school grads or GED recipients with little to no work experience. Staff will come to your organization for an information session for youth about the program.

- •10 Month Apprenticeship with a Nonprofit Organization
- Weekly Professional & Leadership Development Training
- •\$1,500/Month Living Stipend •Health and Dental Insurance •Childcare Assistance •Eligible for College Credits through MCTC •\$5,550 AmeriCorps Education Award Upon Graduation

See attached flyer for upcoming informational sessions.

# Youth Worker to Lead After School Basketball Classes Tuesday and Thursday at Jenny Lind Elementary! Follow

the <u>link</u> for a description and pass along to anyone you think might be interested.

