NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Strategies to Prevent Negative Youth Activities during Spring Break, and How Youth Work Professionals Can Help Message from Ann DeGroot, Director, Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board (YCB)

As you know, Minneapolis Public Schools Spring Break starts this Friday, March 27 and goes through Sunday April 5. Students are expected back in class on Monday April 6. Additionally, St. Paul Public Schools and many suburban and charter school districts are on break at the same time.

The events downtown Minneapolis on St. Patrick's Day have put law enforcement on alert that young people are able to organize themselves quickly for activities and get-togethers through social media. Unfortunately, as we saw on St. Patrick's Day, that same social media can be used to mobilize for negative activities and actions as well.

I want to let you know about 2 strategies that are in place for next week and to ask for your assistance.

1. The Minneapolis Downtown Outreach Team, coordinated through the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board in partnership with the Downtown Improvement District and the First Precinct will be on duty downtown Minneapolis from March 31-April 4, 4:30- 9:30pm during Spring Break. They connect with young people and offer them information about resources and activities and re-direct behaviors to ensure the safety and well-being of our young people.

2. The Minneapolis Parks have reconstituted Street Reach. Beginning next week, they will have youth workers on duty in north side parks to connect with young people.

THE ASK – please be as vigilant as you are able with young people next week. I know that this is what you already do every day but given the fight in downtown Minneapolis on St. Patrick's Day and some fighting that occurred at Folwell Park last week-end, the police are on high alert. Please continue to engage in the meaningful and important conversations you have with young people so as to assist them in making positive choices. At the YCB, our goal is that every situation is treated with the safety and intentional engagement of young people at the center, so that it does not arise to a level in which police involvement is necessary

Thanks for all of the work that each of you does every day to promote the health, safety, education and development of Minneapolis' children and young people.

EVENTS

Youth Violence Prevention Peace Dance Party – March 27 YMCA, 1711 West Broadway, 4-8pm. See attached flyer.

NanoDay 2015 Family Event –Saturday, April 4 1-4 PM, Sabathani. A donation of \$5/family requested. Registration is appreciated, not required. 612-821-2329.

EDTalks: A Hmong View of Public Education + Globally Competent Teaching - April 6

6-7:30 pm, Ice House, 2528 Nicollet Ave S, Author Kao Kalia Yang, and Dana Mortenson, CEO of World Savvy.

East Side Youth Work Practitioners-Wednesday, April 8 9:30-10:30am, ESNS, 1700 2 St NE, FFI: Jazmin Danielson

Southside Youth Workers-Thursday, April 9

Noon-1:30pm, Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave. S. Summer youth programs: What do you need/what can you offer to keep youth connected and safe this summer?

Native Youth Worker Circle-Friday, April 10 10:30-Noon, DIW, 1001 E. Lake FFI: cseidl@diw-mn.org

The 2nd Annual Augsburg Fairview Academy Powwow
April 11, Grand Entries: 1 & 6PM, Community Feast: 5PM
Minneapolis American Indian Center, Free Admission

Rally for Foster Care and Adoption Initiative-April 11 1:30-3pm, Sabathani. Food. Entertainment. Kid friendly. For info or to RSVP, contact Andrew or 612-644-3509.

2015 STEP-UP Mock Interviews- April 13-16 4:45-6:15pm, Minneapolis Convention Center.

Northside Youth Collaborative- Tuesday, April 14 4-5:30pm, Farview Park (29th & Lyndale Ave N) Summer youth programs: What do you need/what can you offer to keep youth connected and safe this summer?

<u>Powering Learning. Expanding Possibilities-</u> April 14 & 15 STEM Education & opportunities to build 21st century skills.

<u>2015 Global Youth Service Day Celebration</u> - April 18 Southdale. Onsite service projects & youth performances

Save the Date: Annual Community Empowerment through Black Men Healing Conference: June 25-26

32nd Upper Midwest Conference on Adolescents & Children In Need May 14 & 15, Minneapolis

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ReThink Your Drink Summer Campaign!

Running a youth group this summer? Have STEP-UP interns? MHD and YCB are recruiting organizations to engage youth in learning about the negative impact of sugary drinks and promoting healthier beverages in their community. Selected organizations will receive a \$1,500 stipend to support their projects! Application Due Date: April 24 by 4pm to D'Ana Tijerina. See attached flyer.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

YouthCARE Community Service Stars Hiring Youth 14-18

Work with non-profit organizations to learn about community concerns and help them address those concerns.

Free MayDay Workshops-April 4 - May 2

Avalon Theatre, 1500 E. Lake St. Tuesdays: 7-9pm; Thursdays: 7-9pm; Saturdays: 9am-11am and 1pm-3pm

tpt Is Looking for African American students!

Twin Cities Public Television invites students to answer: What does success mean to you? Deadline is April 30.

Minneapolis Teen Job Fair

Sat., April 25, Noon-3PM, Minneapolis Central Library

Minnesota Business Venture (MBV) Program in July

For 9-12th graders to learn about leadership, business, and careers. Spend a week at St. Cloud State or St. John's. Financial assistance is available.

Minnesota Aviation Career Education (ACE) Camp

June 22-28 & July 20-26, MSP International Airport For students entering grades 10, 11 or 12. Financial assistance is available. Apply by May 16.

Gustavus Adolphus Summer Institute of Nursing

An opportunity for students (grades 9-12) to explore nursing and health-care careers.

Star Tribune 2015 Summer Camp Guide

Class of 2015 Community Yearbook

Graduating seniors of African descent can be part of the Yearbook for free. Apply by 3/30.

Cecil E. Newman Scholarship

Graduating seniors of African descent must complete an essay. Deadline: 5pm, March 30.

Dunwoody College Career Awareness Program

June 15-July 17, 9AM-3PM. 11th and 12th graders can receive a \$100 weekly stipend, a free bus pass and food.

ADULT TRAINING

National Alliance for Mental Illness

Classes for families, teens and the public.

Pathways Transition Partnership Training

Online training for those working with youth & young adults.

Challenging Behaviors in Youth - Strategies for Intervention

April 9, 2015, 9am-4pm, Minneapolis Sheraton Midtown Learn how to structure interactions for positive outcomes with youth who exhibit challenging behaviors. \$157.00

Minnesota Statewide Conference on Traumatic Stress in Children & Families: Using and adapting evidence-based interventions to help children and families

April 29, 2015 8:30AM-12:30PM, TCF Bank Stadium, U of M For more info and to register, visit <u>Eventbrite</u>. Free

Essentials of Asset Building for Trainers and Facilitators

April 30 - May 1, 2015, 8:30AM-4:00PM, U of M Continuing Education Conference Center, 1890 Buford Avenue, St. Paul

The Perseverance Process: Strategies for Strengthening Academic Motivation and Persistence

May 6, 2015, 8:30-4PM, U of M, St. Paul

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

Augsburg Fairview Academy: Ojibwe Studies Teacher

Sub for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year. (.25 FTE)

Hiawatha Academies Is Hiring

National Youth Leadership Council Seeking Digital Training and Program Manager & Account Associate/Bookkeeper Read the job description. Apply by March 30.

The YMCA Is Hiring

College Health Corps VISTA: MHD Youth Violence Prevention See position description. Apply by April 3rd.

YouthCARE's Camp Sunrise Accepting Summer Applications

A variety of positions open for those with little youth work experience to those with more extensive experience.

2015 Minnesota Education Job Fair

April 13, 10AM-3PM, Minneapolis Convention Center Open only to MN College and university students and alumni.

Jobs at East Side Neighborhood Services

City of Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin