

NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEED Awards \$6.36 Million to Help Young People Gain Work Skills and Jobs

The MN Department of Employment and Economic Development awarded \$3.18 million to help MN youth gain work skills and job experience. The grants will fund programs focusing on youth who are economically disadvantaged, at-risk, homeless, disabled, or from communities of color that are under-represented in the workforce.

Grants were awarded to the following Twin Cities programs:

- City of St. Paul, Right Track- \$600,000
- City of Minneapolis, STEP-UP- \$750,000
- Goodwill/Easter Seals, Next Generation@Work- \$125,000
- City Academy Construction Career Choices- \$30,000
- Ramsey Co. Workforce Solutions Project MOSAIC- \$75,000
- Eastside Neighborhood Services FutureConnect- \$75,000
- Minneapolis Park and Rec Teen Teamworks- \$100,000
- Hmong Amer. Partnership East Side Youth Jobs- \$50,000
- HIRED (Minneapolis) Youth Directions- \$100,000
- Youthprise (Minneapolis)- \$150,000
- Tree Trust (St. Louis Park)- \$120,600
- Genesys Works (St. Paul)- \$50,000
- EMERGE (Minneapolis), West Bank Gateway to Professional Success- \$50,000
- CLUES (St. Paul) Jóvenes Adelante - \$75,000

To learn more about the awards visit the DEED [website](#).

Minneapolis Selected for National Program Addressing Problem Behavior Among Young Children

The National League of Cities' City Leadership for an Early Learning Nation will provide national experts to work with Mayor Hodges' Cradle to K Cabinet to come up with a strategy to address behavioral problems- among pre-schoolers and kindergarteners. The strategy will involve focusing on emotional and social development and addressing children's exposure to stressful and traumatic experiences (Adverse Childhood Experiences) such as violence, emotional and mental abuse, neglect, mental illness and economic hardship.

Mental health and behavioral issues are the number one reason children get suspended from school, according to a 2014 report from the U.S. Department of Education. Nearly 30 percent of the students in kindergarten through 4th grade in Minneapolis were disciplined with-out-of-school suspensions, according to the mayor's office. [Read the whole story.](#)

EVENTS

[Minneapolis Community Events Calendar](#)

CAST/GLEE: 3 Original Plays with Music

July 16, 7-8 PM, Capri Theater, 2027 West Broadway
Three new plays by CAST (Capri After School Theater) students. This event is free. [More information.](#)

Racism and Social Media

July 21, 6-8 PM, YWCA, 1130 Nicollet Mall, Mpls. [Register.](#)

FLOW Northside Arts Crawl

July 23, 24 & 25. Celebrate 10 Years of FLOW on West Broadway. Find more info [here](#)

EMERGE Training and Arts (ETA) Open House

July 25, 12-5 PM, ETA, 1834 Emerson Ave. N.
Learn about training & job-seeker opportunities for adults & youth, Family-friendly arts activities, Northside artist gallery & music from the Capri Brass Band. [Join](#)

PACER Symposium on Children's Mental Health & Learning Disabilities

Aug. 4, 8 AM - 4 PM, Minneapolis Convention Center
For teachers, parents, and school administrators. Register and find info [here.](#)

National Night Out (NNO) August 4

[Register](#) and [Learn more about NNO](#)

National Night Out at Asian Media Access (AMA)

August 4, 5-8 PM, 2418 Plymouth Ave. N., Minneapolis
Inviting neighbors to join us for food, children's activities, a peek into a police car and firetruck. Check out AMA's facility/programs, and meet and hangout with neighbors.

Fremont Family Fun Fest

August 4, 5-7:30pm, 3300 Fremont Ave. N, parking lot
An NNO event for families around the Fremont Clinic to promote health and wellness. Vendors or tabling organizations, email [Jakeea Quirk](#) or call 612-287-2456

Racial MicroAgressions: What's the Big Deal?

August 13, 6-8 PM, YWCA, 1130 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis
[Register here.](#)

MIC 2015 Summit: Increasing Life Opportunities & Equity With Our Youth

September 10, 7 AM - 5 PM, TAP Resource Center, St Paul,
Register and find more information [here.](#)

MORE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESOURCE Host a Back-To-School Supplies Drive

Work teams, businesses, and volunteer groups -- host a Back-To-School Supplies Drive. [RESOURCE](#) is looking for businesses, churches, work teams, and other groups to host school supply drives to help the families we serve. Email [Samantha Sleeman](mailto:Samantha.Sleeman@resource.org) or call 612-752-8030.

County Teen Pregnancy Prevention Gets \$7.5M

Hennepin County's teen pregnancy prevention effort, [Better Together Hennepin](#), has received a \$7.5 million federal grant to continue the program for the next five years. Officials say the program cut teen pregnancies by nearly 50% from its inception in 2007 to the end of 2013.

The program works with schools and clinics to increase youths' access to high quality sex ed and reproductive health care, and works to create youth development opportunities and nurture connections to caring adults.

The program focuses on Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Central and North Minneapolis, Richfield and Robbinsdale, all with higher numbers of teen pregnancies.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

New Web App Helps Youth Find Shelter, Help

The Youth Services Network (YSN), a collaboration of 12 nonprofit organizations supporting homeless youth in the Twin Cities, has developed an app to simplify how homeless youth and their advocates search for shelter beds and other supports. The app, www.YSNMN.org, can be found at Apple or Google Play stores for free.

What's Up 612!

[Find](#) afterschool and summer activities in Minneapolis for ages 5-21 on-line.

JOB CORPS Is Looking for Applicants

A free program for 16-24 year olds to get their GED or High School Diploma while learning a career trade. Orientations at the Job Corps Center every Thursday morning at 8:30 AM at 1480 N. Snelling Avenue, St. Paul. Questions to 612-823-4615 or [Virginia Nayman-Tonn](mailto:Virginia.Nayman-Tonn@jccmn.org).

Summer Arts Institutes for Teens

Summer Hip Hop Institute:

July 20-23, Mon-Thur, 9:30 AM-4 PM. Explore hip hop, dance, MCing, beatboxing, DJing, and visual art.

Summer Film Institute

July 27-30, Mon-Thur, 9:30 AM-4 PM. Learn how to write, shoot, and direct a film in one week.

Arts Institutes are offered on sliding scale. Financial assistance is limited and given to those most in need. Learn more about the institutes and register [here](#).

ADULT TRAINING

Webinar: Best Practices in Strengths-Based Supervision of Community Peer Workers

SAMHSA introduces principles and models of peer supervision in two interactive webinars. [July 24 Registration](#) [July 31 Registration](#) Questions? Email [Christine Parrinello](mailto:Christine.Parrinello@samhsa.gov).

Ripples of Resilience: Cultivating Care for Self & Community

August 26, 8:30AM-12:30PM (CDT), St. Paul, MN

An intro to basic concepts of stress and trauma and strategies to care for oneself and others in day-to-day life. [Register](#)

2015 Summer Institute in Adolescent Health Beyond Bullying: Respecting, Protecting & Connecting All Youth

July 27 - July 29, St. Paul. For all who work with young people. Learn more and register [here](#).

STAR-Lite Training: Learning Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience in a Single Day

August 15, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM, Minneapolis. Learn the basics of becoming trauma-informed and resilience-oriented in a short time. CEs available. Learn more and order tickets [here](#).

27th Annual ATTACH Conference: Attachment Matters Raising the Bar for Child Wellbeing

September 24-17, Minneapolis. Join parents and professionals to learn from one another and receive training from leaders in the field of trauma and attachment. [Register](#)

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

Seeking AmeriCorps Promise Fellows

Minnesota Alliance With Youth is recruiting for AmeriCorps Promise Fellows for the 2015-16 service term. Host sites are currently being filled for members to serve 9/1-7/31. AmeriCorps Promise Fellows serve as a bridge between the in and out of school experience for youth, connecting them with critical supports and interventions they need to succeed and graduate. Make an impact and work with young people. Visit the [website](#) for more details. Apply online [here](#).

Minneapolis Public Safety Career Fair

July 25, 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM, Urban Research and Outreach-Engagement Center (UROC), 2001 Plymouth Ave N. Meet reps from the MPD, Minneapolis 911 & 311, the MFD, Mpls. Reg. Svcs, St. Paul Police, HCMC, Mpls. Park Police & Recreation Board, Metro Transit Police, Ramsey Co. Sheriff's Off., & Henn. County Sheriff's Off. Bring your resume and come prepared to network. Questions? Call 612-490-2222

YouthCARE: FT YouthLEAD Program Specialist

Work with teens in Little Earth Community starting in mid-August. See job description. Application deadline is July 17.

Northeast Child Development Center Seeks Head Teacher

See this job and others on ESNS [website](#).

[City of Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin](#)