

NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Delta Dental "Serve a Smile" Mini Grants Opportunity

Minnesota Alliance With Youth and Delta Dental of MN Foundation announce the annual Serve a Smile mini-grant program. Through the generosity of Delta Dental, over \$25,000 in mini-grants will be available to Minnesota youth-led service/service-learning projects that address oral health or health issues. Mini-grant awards of up to \$1000 will support youth affiliated with schools and youth-serving community organizations. Find the grant application, an overview and project examples [here](#). Submissions are due electronically by Jan. 23, 4pm. Contact [Annie Himmelsteib](#).

Special Invitation to all Minneapolis Youth Workers!

On behalf of the YCB Minneapolis Afterschool Network, Minneapolis Beacons Network, and Ignite Afterschool, we invite you to attend a discussion in December on "Shaping a Framework for Quality Afterschool". Your insights and expertise are critically important. See the "Special Invitation to all Minneapolis Youth Workers" attachment.

AmeriCorps Promise Fellow Applications

Applications to serve as an AmeriCorps Promise Fellow, or host a Promise Fellow(s) in 2015-16 are now available [online](#). Applications to [SERVE](#) are due Jan. 15. Applications to HOST are due Jan. 15 for [returning sites](#), and Jan. 31 for [new sites](#). To learn more, contact [Kori Redepenning](#).

Seeking Summer Reads VISTA Partner Sites

The Minnesota Literacy Council is looking for new and returning programs to host Summer Reads VISTA members for Summer 2015. This program, aims to reduce the decline of literacy skills in low-income children over the summer months and fight the "summer slide". Find more info [here](#).

Youth Worker Action Requested - READ! SIGN! SUPPORT!

Ignite After-school, is mobilizing afterschool, youth, and community stakeholders in support of high-quality after-school and summer learning opportunities for young people. Get involved. Let your voice be heard in the upcoming legislative session. Here's how:

1. [Read Ignite Afterschool's Policy Platform](#)
2. Sign the Statement of Support to become a Platform supporter, either as an [individual](#) or as an [organization](#).
3. Write a [Letter of Support](#) laying out the reasons your organization supports the Platform and increased public funding for afterschool programs. [Brandon Tice](#), Communications & Policy Associate, Ignite Afterschool.

EVENTS

[Community Events Calendar](#)

Find community meetings and events on the Minneapolis Community Events Calendar. Also, share information on events or activities you would like to share.

Explorations in Education: School Fair

Sat., Dec. 6, 1-2:30pm, UROC, 2001 Plymouth Ave. N, Mpls. Learn about education options available to your child. Meet 20 reps from Northside public, private, charter & alternative schools. Questions: 612-529-8368

Free Concert for Young Listeners at the Capri!

Saturday, Dec. 6, 10am, Capri Theater, 2027 W. Broadway SPCO presents "Start the Music" to introduce youngsters (ages 3 to 6+) to classical music. Pre-concert, children can try musical instruments and enjoy musical crafts, games and face painting. Reserve tickets in advance [here](#) or call 651-291-1144. Walkup's welcome based on availability.

A Virtual Town Hall on Bullying

Monday, December 8, 3:00- 4:00 p.m. Open to the Public. For young people, parents, educators, youth workers, and community leaders. MDE Commissioner Brenda Cassellius will answer questions from District 7 youth. [RSVP here](#). To directly join the online conversation, use [this link](#).

Shaping a Framework for Quality Afterschool Discussions: Northside Youth Collaborative

Dec. 9, 4-5:30pm, Farview Park, 621 N 29th Ave.

Southside Youth Workers

Dec. 11, noon-1:30pm, Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave.

Native Youth Workers Circle

Dec. 12, 10:30am-noon, Div. of Indian Work, 1001 E. Lake

Eastside Youth Practitioners

Dec. 17, 11am-12:30pm, Bottineau Park, 2000 2nd St. NE

2014 Holiday Train

Dec. 10, 7:30-9pm, Shoreham Rail Yard, 2800 Central Ave. Live music, kid's activities, horse-drawn hayrides and hot chocolate. Prairie Fire Lady Choir performs at 8pm. Holiday Train arrives at approximately 8:30pm. Bring cash or a non-perishable donation. Visit [ESNS website](#) for donation ideas.

Free Immigration Forum for Spanish Speaking Parents

Dec. 13, 10am-12pm, Roosevelt High, 4029 28 Ave. S. Learn about President Obama's Executive Orders on immigration. [See flyer in Spanish](#).

MORE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join the [Beyond Walls: Urban Squash Twin Cities](#)

Beyond Walls, a youth development non-profit combining education, the sport of squash, and community service is seeking a board member and people to join board committees (programming, development, outreach, young professionals advisory committee. Contact Executive Director, [Jazmin Danielson @ 612-624-1810](#).

Attend an Engagement Meeting on the New West Broadway Education & Career Center

The State is moving the North Minneapolis WorkForce Center (WFC) to 800 West Broadway in Fall, 2015. This larger space will allow for partnerships with MPS, MCTC, MN State Univ. - Mankato and North-Point Health & Wellness to create the West Broadway Education and Career Center. Attend an engagement meeting to share feedback, ask questions, and get up-dates. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month, 8-9am, at the North Minneapolis WFC (1200 Plymouth Ave. N). For more info contact Ibrahim Noor, Manager, North Minneapolis WFC, 612.821.4411.

Holiday Food and Gift/Toy Programs: See flyer.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

[Steer Your Career: A Career Exploration Guide for Twin Cities Youth](#)

Are you a young person looking for ways to gain experience, improve your work skills, learn about your career options, and have fun at the same time? Steer Your Career gives a quick "at a glance" look at 75+ program listings. Most opportunities are for career explorers ages 14-21. Inside the guide you will find after-school, in-school, summer, and community programs broken down according to ages/grades of participants, program level (beginner to advanced), career clusters associated with the opportunity, costs/fees (if any), and provider organization contact information.

ARC Welcomes Teen Volunteers

The Value Village thrift stores operated by [Arc Greater Twin Cities](#) (952-915-3652) welcome every pair of hands. Volunteer Development manager, Molly Lindblad, estimates that 30-40% of ARC's volunteers are kids. Many are high school students working on community service requirements. [Read the whole story.](#)

[Youth Opportunity Center @ YouthLink December Calendar](#)

ADULT TRAINING

Perseverance Process: Search Institute

January 9, 2015, 8:30am-4pm, U of M Continuing Education Conference Center. The latest research on motivation and persistence, offering educators practical ideas to help students do their best. [Register here.](#)

[Youth Work Matters Online Course: U of M Extension](#)

Jan. 12 - Feb. 15, 2015. An in-depth exploration of foundational research and theories of positive youth development.

[Leadership Matters Online Course: U of M Extension](#)

Feb. 9 - March 3, 2015. Explore the key issues in supervision and leadership of youth work organizations.

[Dilemmas in Youth Work Online: U of M Extension](#)

Feb.16, - March 20, 2015. Examine the various ways to respond to real-life dilemmas of everyday practice

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

[Pillsbury United Communities Oak Park Site Coordinator](#)

Responsible for building an early college-bound culture by developing high quality out of school time experiences for students grades K-12.

Minneapolis Community Education Seeking PT

Youthworker for Afterschool Service Learning Program

See attached job description.

[Brooklyn Bridge Alliance for Youth Is Hiring a Youth Employment Program Coordinator](#)

Responsible for building and implementing a two year youth job readiness and internship program in Brooklyn Center and Brooklyn Park. Apply by December 10.

[Adult Employment & Training Director & More Jobs at ESNS](#)

[Fund Development Associate - Hope Community](#)

Minneapolis Public Schools Seeks Substitute Teachers

Need a 4-year college degree & experience in K-12 Submit application [here.](#) [See more MPS jobs.](#)

Division of Indian Work Seeking FT Youth Worker and FT Program Coordinator. Find position descriptions [here.](#)

[City of Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin](#)

