

NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOVERNOR DAYTON NEEDS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Thank him for his bold vision in education and afterschool, and for supporting afterschool in his [inaugural address](#). Use the sample language prepared by Ignite Afterschool to call or write Governor Dayton and thank him for championing investments in our young people, and urge him to increase investments for afterschool programs in his upcoming budget proposal. View sample language and get started [here](#).

AmeriCorps VISTA through the Minnesota Literacy Council!

A dedicated, FT Literacy VISTA can help your organization create, expand or improve upon education and literacy-focused programming for children and youth. The deadline to submit a proposal is Feb. 3, 5PM. More info [here](#).

Take a New Look at Washburn Center

The nonprofit center provides mental health services for about 2,700 youths per year. [Read more](#).

"State of Using" Documentary Mini Grants Available

Schools and organizations may apply for up to \$500 to host viewing parties of the documentary. State of Using tells the stories of MN youth impacted by substance abuse. Apply by Jan. 29 and/or view the documentary anytime [here](#).

[Delta Dental "Serve a Smile" Mini Grants](#)

\$1,000 mini-grants to youth-led service/service-learning projects that address oral health or health issues. Submissions are due electronically by January 23rd at 4pm.

Americorps Promise Fellow Applications

Applications to serve as an AmeriCorps Promise Fellow, or host a Promise Fellow(s) in 2015-16 are [online](#).

Seeking Summer Reads VISTA Partner Sites

Seeking programs to host Summer Reads VISTA members. Find more info [here](#). Application deadline is February 12.

BEST NEW YEAR RESOLUTION

Ignite Afterschool is mobilizing stakeholders in support of high-quality after-school and summer learning opportunities for young people. Sign-on as a supporter of increasing afterschool funding! Sign-on as an individual ... and ask your organization to sign-on also! Get involved. Here's how:

1. [Read Ignite Afterschool's Policy Platform](#)
2. Sign the Statement of Support, [individual](#) or [organization](#).
3. Write a [Letter of Support](#).

EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE!

Minneapolis PARTNERS With Youth Conference

Friday, February 13, 2015

Colin Powell Center, Minneapolis

Invitations will be sent early next week!

January Is National Mentoring Month

This month-long media and outreach campaign focuses on the need for mentors, and how each of us, individuals, businesses, government agencies, schools, faith communities and nonprofits can work together to increase the number of mentors and assure brighter futures for young people. Find free, downloadable recruitment tools, promotional and academically oriented materials and education-related mentoring resources [here](#).

Free Parenting Classes at Wilder Center

For parents of children, ages 1 -3. Families who complete the class series will receive a \$50 Gift Card! To Register: Call 651-280-2094 or email [Patricia Landy](#). For more information Download: [Wilder Free Parenting Classes](#)

Northside Youth Work Collaborative January Meeting

Jan. 13, 4-5:30pm, Farview Park, 621 North 29th Ave. Speaker: Ed Irwin, Oak Park Community Ctr. – Family Engagement curriculum using social-emotional learning principles and positive youth development concepts.

Eastside Youth Work Practitioners January Meeting

Jan. 21, 11am – noon, ESNS, 1700 Second Street NE Open Conversation with Michael Walker – MPS Office of Black Male Student Achievement

African-American Parents Advisory Council Meeting

January 22, 6-8PM, Davis Center, 1250 W. Broadway AAPAC's goal is to build an active partnership and dialogue between MPS and parents. Meetings are open to all parents, students and community members. The topic this month is "Black Lives Matters at MPS" and Part 2 of the Student Based Allocation. A light dinner will be provided. Childcare is available for ages 3 and up. [See flyer](#). Questions? Contact [Andria Danielcurry](#), 612.290.9553.

[Fix-It Tech Event](#)

Friday, January 30, 10am-2pm, Takoda Institute – AIOIC If your computer or laptop is slow, not working, or seems to have a virus, bring it in for free tech support!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Youthprise is Seeking 2015 Change Fellows (Young People 16-25 with BIG Ideas)

What does a Change Fellow do? • 1 year commitment beginning Feb. 7 • Participate in 10 personal and professional development sessions • Participate in the curriculum • read 2 books • keep a visual journal • Complete an implementation plan

What does a Change Fellow get? • \$3,500 stipend to actively participate • Curriculum materials • Opportunity to apply for an implementation grant after successfully completing the fellowship. Applications due Jan. 23, by 5pm CST. Find more information and to apply [here](#).

Employment Opportunity for Tobacco Compliance

The City of Minneapolis is recruiting teens, ages 15-17.5, to conduct tobacco compliance checks. A tobacco compliance check consists of a teenager entering a store and requesting to purchase tobacco products. If under-age teens are allowed to purchase tobacco, the business and clerk are cited for the violating the law. Teens are supervised at all times by experienced inspectors.

Teens must meet the following requirements: • Be between the ages of 15 and 17.5 • Have a picture ID (State ID, permit or DL) • Fill out an application (See attached) Earn \$8.00 per hour. Hours are limited and intermittent (most compliance checks are done on school holidays, summers and a minimal number of evenings). Transportation is provided if the teen lives in the Minneapolis. On the job training is provided. For more info, call Mohamed at 612-673-3904.

[North 4 Youth Employment Educational Program](#)

North 4 creates pathways of success for gang involved youth (ages 16-21) who live in 4 Minneapolis neighborhoods: Hawthorne, Jordan, Folwell, and McKinley.

- 1 week of job readiness and development training
- Subsidized work experience (15-20 weekly hours) that evolve into job placements
- weekly 2 hour paid training to build support, refine skills and explore opportunities
- Advocacy and coaching to ensure participating youth remain focused on securing employment, while addressing obstacles that might impact success.

2015 Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Essay Contest

Open to students who attend schools in Minneapolis who are in grades 9-11. Contest deadline: Jan. 19th
The contest winners receive a gift card to be awarded at a ceremony before the Minneapolis City Council in the spring of 2015. 1st Place: \$300, 2nd Place: \$200, 3rd Place: \$100. More info and a parent consent form [here](#).

STEP-UP Application

The application will be [online](#) until Feb. 18. Youth that live in Minneapolis and that will be age 14-21 on June 1 may apply.

ADULT TRAINING

[Prime Digital Academy](#)

An 18 to 30 week program on industry-led experiential learning and apprenticeship with some of the metro's leading IT employers. Classes begin March 3, 2015. Funding is available for qualifying students.

[Free IT READY Training](#)

Feb. 9 - April 3, 2015. Accepting applications through Jan. 21. IT-Ready helps unemployed/under-employed persons interested in the IT field. Employers, like the City of Mpls, commit to considering the resumes of CompTIA A+ certified IT-Ready grads and interviewing qualified candidates for entry-level IT positions typically help desk and desktop support roles. Alumni receive access to additional online certification courses at no cost towards Network+, Server+ and Security+.

Helping Gifted Children on the Autism Spectrum Succeed

Jan. 12, 2015, 7-9pm, Center for Engaging Autism, Hopkins CEUs & childcare available! Visit [Eventbrite](#) for tix and info.

[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.

The Perseverance Process: Strategies for Strengthening Academic Motivation and Persistence

March 4, 2015, 8:30-4PM, U of Continuing Education Conference Center, 1890 Buford Ave, Room 42A, St. Paul
Info and registration [here](#).

[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

[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.

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

YMCA Summer Job and Career Fair

Jan. 26, 2-8 PM, TCF Bank Stadium, 6 floor, Indoor Club Rm, 420 SE 23 Ave., Use Stadium's Benton County Entrance
Hiring for Overnight and Day Camps, Fitness and Aquatics, Childcare, Youth programs and sports, and Customer service. Parking available in the Gopher, Maroon and Victory lots. Visit [here](#) for parking info. If using the Green Line, exit the train at Stadium Village Station. [Register here](#).

[Urban 4-H Seeks FT Program Coordinator in Hennepin Co.](#)

[Children's Defense Fund-Minnesota Program Coordinator](#)

[Jobs at East Side Neighborhood Services](#)

Head Teacher and Youth Employment Coordinator

[City of Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin](#)