WELCOME TO YOUR COMMUNITY
A Guide to Diversity Resources at the University of Minnesota and in the Twin Cities
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Relocating to a new place can be a stressful adjustment for anyone. In addition to getting settled into your new job and home, there’s often a list of tasks to complete and information to discover prior to developing a routine and personal connections. Research from exit interviews indicates that one of the leading reasons people do not stay in a new location or job is a sense of isolation—or in other words, a lack of true “community.”

In an effort to address this issue—and to ensure new faculty feel a part of the University and the larger community—the Office for Equity and Diversity developed this guide to assist new faculty with finding their unique communities.

Including all available information would not be possible, but this guide serves as a resource in helping you transition to the University, the Twin Cities, and the state of Minnesota.

Welcome to the University of Minnesota and the Twin Cities area.
AFRICAN AND AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES DEPARTMENT
In this challenging and diverse academic environment, the Department of African American & African Studies offers an exciting and significantly relevant range of areas of concentration, courses, and ideas. Within a single academic department our students study the rich social, political, economic, and cultural complexities of Africa, African America, and the broader African Diaspora. In our department, the focus and fusion of this diversity gives our students a special and rare opportunity. It also gives them an advantage. They are more aware and understand better the significance of African American and African history and culture. We create a knowledge base that is diverse and widely applicable. Our students have gone on to a myriad of careers, including advanced study in areas of concentration begun in this department.

aaas.umn.edu

AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES DEPARTMENT
Founded amidst the civil rights struggles of the sixties and early seventies, the program has long been committed to the development of theories and methodologies that reflect American Indian perspectives and it embraces ways of knowing that stand in contrast to the linear analytic Euro-American studies typically found in colleges and universities. The department’s base of formally educated and institutionally trained academicians is being supplemented increasingly by community resource people, including traditional leaders, elders and American Indian artists, writers, film makers, and musicians. Incorporation of such contributors into the teaching program acknowledges unique cultural wisdom and skills that are not typically available in formal, western institutions, but that are nonetheless essential to an understanding of American Indian cultures.

amin.umn.edu

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAM
Our Asian American Studies Program recognizes both the uniqueness of Minnesota’s Asian American populations and their commonalities with each other and with other Asian American communities across the nation. Community interests and concerns shape all our curriculum, research projects, and outreach work. And with its locale, community resources, and faculty, the University of Minnesota is helping to create new models of teaching Asian American history, politics, literature, and cultures.

aas.umn.edu

CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING
The Center for Teaching and Learning envisions a university community where scholarly teaching leads to transformative learning. The Center’s staff—as both members of the University teaching community and teaching consultants—works with teaching staff and faculty pursuing exceptional teaching and learning, including consultations related to development of courses enacting multicultural teaching and learning, internationalized teaching and learning, and community engagement/service learning across the disciplines.

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CENTER ON WOMEN AND PUBLIC POLICY
Welcome to the nation’s first complete teaching, research, and outreach center devoted to women and public policy. Since 1985, the Center on Women and Public Policy (CWPP) has used gender analysis to challenge fundamental assumptions about politics, law, and economics on issues ranging from human rights to judicial selection and independence.

hhh.umn.edu/centers/wpp/index.html

CHICANO STUDIES DEPARTMENT
As the first full-fledged Department of Chicano Studies in the Upper Midwest region, and the only one in Minnesota, we pride ourselves in carrying forth the legacy of the students and community activists who had the vision to advocate for the establishment of this department. As the fastest growing population in Minnesota, the knowledge base regarding Chicanos and Latinos in Minnesota and around the nation must be
broadened and deepened. We invite you to be part of this journey. Staff and faculty in Chicano studies work at developing special relationships with students and community members. We are also seen as a strong cultural connection and safe haven on campus where Chicana/o-Latina/o students meet other students, and are given quality academic advice in pursuing an education and career that advances your personal goals and the well being of the entire community.

[http://chicano.umn.edu](http://chicano.umn.edu)

**COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS PROGRAM (COSP)**
Based in the Office for Equity and Diversity, the Community of Scholars Program (COSP) works towards creating an institutional environment that supports the academic and professional success of graduate students who have historically been under-represented in academia. COSP assists students (US citizens and permanent residents) to more fully participate in the University; develop supportive relationships with advisors and mentors; build a sense of community through academic seminars and professional development workshops; and connect students to the Twin Cities community through research, teaching and civic engagement opportunities.

[grad.umn.edu/outreach/COSP](http://grad.umn.edu/outreach/COSP)

**DEPARTMENT OF GENDER, WOMEN & SEXUALITY STUDIES**
The Department of Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies at the University of Minnesota promotes scholarship that pushes established boundaries while providing a rich and rigorous undergraduate and graduate education that asks students to view the worlds around them with a curious yet critical lens.

[gwss.umn.edu](http://gwss.umn.edu)

**DAKOTA LANGUAGE SOCIETY**
Dakota Language Society is a student association dedicated to the preservation and teaching of the Dakota language.

**CONTACT:**
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**DISABILITY SERVICES**
Disability Services promotes access and equity for all students, faculty, staff and guests of the University of Minnesota through the exceptional design of innovative learning and working environments and the collaborative education and partnership with the University community.

[ds.umn.edu](http://ds.umn.edu)

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY & AFFIRMATIVE ACTION (EOAA)**
The University of Minnesota’s Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action (EOAA) was founded in 1972 to ensure that all University community members uphold federal and state civil rights laws and regulations, as well as University equal opportunity policies. The Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action is committed to eliminating individual and systemic barriers that inhibit individuals and groups from attaining equal access to University of Minnesota employment, education, programs, and services. In service to both the University of Minnesota and the broader community, we provide expertise and system-wide leadership for the University in the following areas: Advocacy, Policy Development and Issue Identification, Education, Discrimination Consultation and Investigation, Community Connections, and Compliance. EOAA provides ways to report bias-related incidents on or near campus, as well as discrimination in the workplace or classroom.

[eoaffact.umn.edu](http://eoaffact.umn.edu)

**GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, ALLY (GLBTA) PROGRAMS OFFICE**
The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Ally (GLBTA) Programs Office is dedicated to improving campus climate for all University of Minnesota students, staff, faculty, alumni, and visitors by developing and supporting more inclusive understandings of gender and sexuality. The GLBTA Programs Office seeks to bridge and build communities that create affirming and welcoming environments in which people can be their whole selves and which honor all identities and experiences.

[glbta.umn.edu](http://glbta.umn.edu)
GLBT ORAL HISTORY PROJECT
The Twin Cities GLBT Oral History Project is a collective devoted to documenting and interpreting the lives and experiences of queer people in the Twin Cities.

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INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
The Institute for Advanced Study seeks to ignite creative, innovative, and profound research and discovery in the sciences, humanities, and the arts. The Institute for Advanced Study is a site, concept, and a community dedicated to public and intellectual exchanges across the fields of human endeavor.

ias.umn.edu/index.php

INSTITUTE FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND ADVOCACY (IDEA)
IDEA is a research initiative that convenes scholars from the University of Minnesota and around the world to collaborate in innovative and groundbreaking ways across disciplines, departments, colleges, and campuses. In addition to supporting the development of new research, the institute is designed to enhance retention and faculty diversity by fostering stronger ties among faculty and with faculty and the local community.

academic.umn.edu/equity/research/idea.html

JAMES FORD BELL LIBRARY
Are you curious? Have you ever seen, touched, or smelled a 600-year-old book? The Bell Library makes history come alive through its collection of rare books, maps and manuscripts that focus on trade and cross-cultural interaction before ca. 1800. Our premier collection illustrates the ways in which cultural influences expanded worldwide, with a special emphasis on European interactions. The James Ford Bell Library, its collection, and its innovative programs support scholarship and education at all levels, and enriches our community by advancing understanding of this global heritage, making the world we live in more meaningful.

bell.lib.umn.edu

MINNESOTA GLBTA CAMPUS ALLIANCE
The Minnesota Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Ally Campus Alliance is a statewide coalition of students, staff, faculty, alumni, and community members uniting for change on college and university campuses.

We offer events, programming, and opportunities aimed at building community, developing leaders, and creating welcoming, affirming, and safe environments for GLBTA individuals.

mncampusalliance.org/index.php

MULTICULTURAL CENTER FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (MCAE)
The Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence (MCAE) addresses issues that affect the University of Minnesota community, including various types of diversity as well as ethnic and racial issues. MCAE also helps students explore internship opportunities and campus events, and provides access to campus resources, scholarship information, mentoring programs, academic offerings and study abroad opportunities.

mcae.umn.edu

OFFICE FOR DIVERSITY IN GRADUATE EDUCATION (ODGE)
The mission of the Office for Diversity in Graduate Education is to coordinate and lead the University’s initiatives in the recruitment, funding, retention and graduation of a diverse graduate and professional student body. In addition, the ODGE works closely with other University of Minnesota offices that are concerned with diversity and multiculturalism.

grad.umn.edu/outreach

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT & VICE PROVOST FOR EQUITY & DIVERSITY (OED)
The Office for Equity and Diversity (OED) believes that the University community flourishes when all its students, staff, faculty and external supporters have a place to grow and thrive. That’s why OED works to infuse the core values of equity and diversity into all aspects of teaching, learning, research, service and outreach throughout the University of Minnesota system.

academic.umn.edu/equity
OJIBWE LANGUAGE SOCIETY
Ojibwe Language Society is dedicated to the preservation and teaching of the Ojibwe Language.

CONTACT: Dennis Jones
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PROGRAM IN HUMAN SEXUALITY
The Program in Human Sexuality promotes the sexual health of Minnesota, the nation, and the world through preeminence in research, education, clinical service, and advocacy.

med.umn.edu/fm/phs/home.html

RACHEL RAIMIST FEMINIST MEDIA CENTER
The Rachel Raimist Feminist Media Center (RRFMC) is a teaching classroom and open lab for Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies and GLBT Studies students, faculty and staff, and a multimedia training and production facility. This lab provides the physical space and infrastructure to support a variety of instructor and faculty training, curriculum development, and research efforts for the Department of Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies, GLBT Studies, and the broader community of feminist, gender, and sexuality studies scholars at the University of Minnesota.

gwss.umn.edu/resources/media.html

RESEARCH COLLABORATIVE ON GLOBAL SEXUALITIES
This group explores how discourses of gender and sexuality intersect in different ways over space and time.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: clark106@umn.edu or kpmurphy@umn.edu

TRANSGENDER COMMISSION
The Transgender Commission is a coalition of people from across the University and greater community working to create change and equality for people of all gender identities and expressions. Everyone is welcome! Your voice is needed!

glbta.umn.edu/trans

TRETTER COLLECTION IN GLBT STUDIES
The Jean-Nickolaus Tretter Collection in Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Studies houses over 30,000 items in a wide variety of media. The collection is international in scope and has materials in approximately 58 languages. It covers all time periods, from a 4,000-year-old phallic statuette from Egypt, up to current editions of GLBT periodicals. Although books are the core of the collection, substantial sections include textiles, glassware, film, music, art works, and three-dimensional objects such as event buttons and furniture. The collection includes unpublished manuscripts, vertical files, and periodicals from all over the world.

lib.umn.edu/rare/tretter.html

RELIGIOUS STUDIES
Religious studies focuses on the academic study of religion. It aims to understand religion, not to promote or undermine any religious perspective. Religious Studies is by its nature interdisciplinary. From the earliest period, it combined historical analysis of the religion and culture of specific groups with a study of their foundational texts. With the growth of the social sciences, the field later incorporated the approaches of anthropology, sociology, and psychology to study the “lived religion” of specific groups. More recently, the field has embraced various theoretical approaches to the study of religion.

religiousstudies.umn.edu

TUCKER CENTER FOR RESEARCH ON GIRLS AND WOMEN IN SPORTS
The first of its kind in the world, the Tucker Center is an interdisciplinary research center leading a pioneering effort to examine how sport and physical activity affect the lives of girls and women, their families, and communities.

cehd.umn.edu/tuckercenter/default.asp

URBAN RESEARCH AND OUTREACH/ENGAGEMENT CENTER (UROC)
The Urban Research and Outreach/Engagement Center in North Minneapolis links the University of Minnesota in vital public partnership with urban communities to advance learning, improve
quality of life, and discover breakthrough solutions to critical problems. UROC builds thriving, innovative, and respectful collaborations for a healthy and vibrant North Minneapolis, creates new models of urban and community development, and strengthens the University of Minnesota as a vitally engaged 21st-century university serving the public good.

uroc.umn.edu

WOMEN’S CENTER

The Women’s Center advances equity for women students, staff, faculty and alumnae across identities. A unit of the Office for Equity and Diversity, the Women’s Center increases connections for women’s success, cultivating socially responsible leaders, and advocating for organizational culture change toward excellence for all.

www1.umn.edu/women

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LIBRARIES

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COMMUNITY MEDIA

ACCESS PRESS
Minnesota’s disability community newspaper
accesspress.org

AFRICAN NEWS JOURNAL
anjnews.com

ASIAN AMERICAN PRESS
Weekly newspaper with Asian-American focus.
aapress.com

CIRCLE
Native American news and arts.
thecirclenews.org

HMONG TODAY
Bi-weekly journal of news and culture for the Hmong community.
hmongtoday.com

INSIGHT NEWS
African-American community news, arts, and business.
insightnews.com

KBEM 88.5 FM
Recognized as the Twin Cities’ public radio voice for jazz and education, KBEM is a program of the Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) Approximately 150 students annually participate in KBEM’s hands-on educational program, which focuses on all aspects of broadcasting and production. Students who develop their skills and select broadcasting experience can gain significant on-air time. The station is on-air 24/7 with 35 hours of student programming each week, with live professional announcers and pre-recorded, syndicated programming filling out the rest of the schedule. KBEM is the only station in the Twin Cities market, which offers a jazz format and officially provides MN-DOT traffic reports.
jazz88.mpls.k12.mn.us/index.html

KFAI 90.3 FM IN MINNEAPOLIS/ 106.7 FM IN SAINT PAUL
KFAI is a non-commercial, volunteer-based community radio station that exists to broadcast information, arts and entertainment programming for an audience of diverse racial, social and economic backgrounds. By providing a voice for people ignored or misrepresented by mainstream media, KFAI increases understanding between peoples and communities, while fostering the values of democracy and social justice.
kfai.org

KOREAN QUARTERLY
News and features for the Twin Cities Korean community. Has a very comprehensive links page to businesses, community organizations and resources and more.
koreanquarterly.org/Home.html
LA PRENSA DE MN
News and features in Spanish and English.
laprensademn.com

LA VOZ LATINA
Saint Paul focused Spanish language newspaper.
stpaulpublishing.com/lavozlatina.html

LAVENDER MAGAZINE
The Twin Cities GLBTQ magazine.
lavendermagazine.com

MINNESOTA GOOD AGE
Local publication serving those ages 50 and older.
mngoodage.com

MINNESOTA PARENT
Monthly magazine for parents.
mnparent.com

MINNESOTA PUBLIC RADIO FM 91.1
Minnesota Public Radio® is one of the nation’s premier public radio stations producing program- ming for radio, Internet and face-to-face audiences. With its three services — News & Information Service, Classical Music Service and The Current, at 89.3 FM, operates a 40-station regional radio network and serving a regional population of 5 million people, MPR has 110,825 members and more than 900,000 listeners each week, the largest audience of any regional public radio network.
minnesota.publicradio.org

M’SHALE
Minneapolis newspaper for African immigrants in the Americas.
mshale.com/index.cfm

RADIO REY 630 AM
¡Radio Rey la estación de los grandes eventos! Sigue con los grandes eventos y grandes promociones. Tocamos más música y tenemos mucha diversión para toda la familia. Aquí vas a encontrar lo más nuevo de nuestros eventos, promociones y blogs de los locutores.
radiorey630am.com

SPOKESMAN RECORDER
African-American community news.
spokesman-recorder.com

WOMEN’S PRESS
Biweekly newspaper with focus on women’s ideas and issues.
womenspress.com
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS and ORGANIZATIONS

**CASA DE ESPERANZA**
Nuestra misión es movilizar a las Latinas y a las comunidades latinas para erradicar la violencia doméstica. Our mission is to mobilize Latinas and Latino communities to end domestic violence.

casadeesperanza.org

**CHICANO LATINO AFFAIRS COUNCIL (CLAC)**
The Chicano Latino Affairs Council’s primary mission is to advise the governor and the state legislature on the issues of importance to Minnesota’s Chicano Latino community. In addition, CLAC serves as a liaison between local, state and federal governments and Minnesota’s Chicano Latino community. CLAC also serves as an information and referral agency to ensure that Chicano Latinos in Minnesota are connected to the appropriate government agencies and community based organizations to address their concerns, which range from immigration and education to discrimination and social welfare. CLAC has the duty to publish the accomplishments of Chicano Latinos in Minnesota as well as be a resource for community organizations that work with the Chicano Latino population. CLAC also publishes a quarterly bilingual newsletter titled “El Minnesotano” which has statewide distribution.

clac.state.mn.us

**CITY OF LAKES CROSSGENDER COMMUNITY (CLCC)**
Lovingly called CLCC by members, friends and allies. CLCC is well known as the premiere transgender support and social group in the Upper Midwest. City of Lakes Crossgender Community is the T in GLBTQ!

http://www.clccmn.com

**COMUNIDADES LATINAS UNIDAS EN SERVIO (CLUES)**
CLUES is a leading provider of behavioral health and human services in Minnesota. CLUES provides the following six core services: Mental Health Services, Chemical Health Services, Aging Well Services, Family Services, Economic Advancement Services and Community Health Worker Services. Through a family-centric coordinated care delivery model, the family is viewed as the patient, which helps the family capitalize on its strongest asset: its inherent ability to be a network of support for the individual in crisis.

clues.org

**COUNCIL ON ASIAN PACIFIC MINNESOTANS (CAPM)**
The Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans fulfills the following primary objectives: advise the governor and state legislators on issues pertaining to Asian Pacific people; ensure Asian Pacific Minnesotans are more incorporated and engaged in the governmental and policymaking process; see that residents of Asian Pacific descent have sufficient access to state government services; promote the talents and resources of Asian Pacific people where appropriate; and act as a broker between the Asian Pacific community in Minnesota and mainstream society. On behalf of this population, the council plays the role of advisor, advocate, and broker. In these capacities, it deals with problems unique to non-English speaking immigrants and refugees; administrative and legislative barriers blocking Asian-Pacific people’s access to benefits and services; opportunities for affordable housing and health care; and taking appropriate measures to increase Asian Pacific peoples’ level of preparedness for, and overall presence in, the state’s ever-evolving workforce.

capm.state.mn.us
COUNCIL ON BLACK MINNESOTANS (CBM)
The Council on Black Minnesotans’ primary purpose is to advise the Governor and legislature on the nature and intensity of issues confronting the state’s Black populations. The formation of the Council was critical for Black Minnesotans because, historically, this population has been, and continues to be, underrepresented in the legislature and has had little access to the office of the governor or other policy makers. The Council is a policy-oriented agency that uses a community mobilization and involvement model. Prior to the creation of the Council, there was no state or local agency with the responsibility for advising and educating policy makers, researching and analyzing the broad spectrum of issues affecting Black Minnesotans, and advocating on their behalf. And, there was also no agency or organization with the responsibility to educate and reeducate Black Minnesotans regarding specific policy issues and the value of political and policy participation. The Council’s advice to policy makers must be well founded, accurate and representative of the will of its constituencies.

state.mn.us/portal/mn/jsp/home.do?agency=CBM

HNUB TSHIAB: HMONG WOMEN ACHIEVING TOGETHER (HWAT)
HWAT mobilizes Hmong women and girls to actively engage and participate in their families and communities to elevate the status of Hmong women and to shape their own lives. HWAT does not work directly with individuals, but selects projects that cast a wide net toward the community to change in ways that will be more inclusive of Hmong women at the decision making tables, and to inform others about the status of Hmong women and improve opportunities for their voices to be sought and heard, and their issues to be championed.

hmongwomenachieve.org

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TASK FORCE (IPTF)
Indigenous Peoples Task Force (IPTF) is a Native American provider of HIV education and direct services to the Native community in Minnesota. For over 20 years, IPTF has developed and implemented culturally appropriate programs to prevent further transmission of HIV, increase access to traditional and western medical services, and improve the quality of life for clients, families, and communities.

indigenouspeoples tf.org/about.html

LAVENDER MEDIA
Lavender Media, publisher of Lavender Magazine, welcomes Rainbow Health Initiative as our nonprofit partner of the 2011 edition of the award-winning GLBT Lavender Yellow Pages Edition. For the ninth consecutive year, we have created a rich directory of information that will benefit Minnesota’s GLBT community and all its allies.

lavenderyellowpages.com

MINNEAPOLIS AMERICAN INDIAN CENTER (MAIC)
The Minneapolis American Indian Center is a community center in the heart of the Indian community of Minneapolis. It is one of the oldest Indian centers in the country, founded in 1975. The MAIC provides educational and social services to more than 10,000 members of the community annually. It preserves and supports American Indian cultural traditions through the arts, youth and intergenerational programs.

maicnet.org

MINNESOTA AFRICAN WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION (MAWA)
MAWA promotes the health and well being of African refugee and immigrant women and their families in the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul through research, education, advocacy and programming. We are a pan-African women’s nonprofit organization providing services and programming of interest to women from all African countries living in Minnesota. At MAWA we believe in the advancement of African women. We believe change comes from within and do work that will lead to social and systems change.

mawanet.org

MINNESOTA INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL (MIAC)
The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC) was established in 1963 MN Statutes Chapter 888, Sec. 2 (3:922). MIAC is the official liaison between the State of Minnesota and the 11
tribal Governments within the state. The Council provides a forum for and advises state government on issues of concern to urban Indian communities. The MIAC plays a central role in the development of state legislation. They monitor programs that affect the state's American Indian population and tribal governments. Minnesota was the first state in the nation to establish an Indian Affairs agency and provided a model for other states to follow.

[Indian Affairs](https://www.indianaffairs.state.mn.us/index.html)

**MINNESOTA INDIAN WOMEN’S RESOURCE CENTER (MIWRC)**
The Minnesota Indian Women’s Resource Center (MIWRC) is a non-profit organization that provides a comprehensive set of gender and culturally based services for American Indian women and their families. Located in the Philips neighborhood of Minneapolis and founded in 1984, MIWRC provides a broad range of programs designed to educate and empower American Indian women, their families and the surrounding community.

[MIWRC](https://miwrc.org)

**MN NETWORK OF LATINOS IN HIGHER EDUCATION**
The Minnesota Network of Latinos in Higher Education is an organization in-formation to serve as a structure for individuals across colleges and universities to communicate, advocate, organize, share resources, and to support and work towards the success of Latinos in higher education in Minnesota. This is an important and much needed opportunity for us to strengthen our connections to one another. The primary goal of network is to support the success of Latinos in higher education—we are students and/or employees of colleges and universities in Minnesota who are creating this because of the need to have a strong voice and vehicle through which we can advocate for our communities' success in higher education. As our community continues to grow and change in Minnesota, we also need to grow and change the ways in which we have been involved in systems and forces that impact our lives. Supporting Latino success in education is central to ensure our rightful place at the table.

[MN Latinos in Higher Ed](https://mnlatinosinhighered.org)

**PARENTS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS, GAYS, BISEXUALS & TRANSGENDERED (PFLAG)**
PFLAG is a national non-profit organization with over 200,000 members in the United States. The Twin Cities Chapter is proud to serve the metro area through support of LGBT individuals. United, we can make a difference in someone’s life by moving equality forward.

[pflagtc.org](https://pflagtc.org)

**PROFESSIONAL HMONG WOMEN ASSOCIATION**
Our agency is here as a resource and support for Hmong women in their economic transformation and the impact their transformations have within their own communities. We Lead, Educate, Advocate and Develop!

[superhmongwomen.org](https://superhmongwomen.org)

**RAINBOW HEALTH INITIATIVE**
Founded in 2000, The Rainbow Health Initiative is a non-profit corporation comprised of community activists, physicians, health advocates and citizens. The mission of Rainbow Health is advancing the health and wellness of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer communities through research, education and advocacy.

[www.rainbowhealth.org](https://www.rainbowhealth.org)

**WOMEN’S ADVOCATES**
Women’s Advocates is a safe place where battered women and their children can escape domestic violence. In addition to providing shelter, Women’s Advocates provides advocacy, personalized support (including mental health therapy and aftercare services), education, and resources for nearly 1,000 women and children every year. The first shelter in the nation for battered women and their children, Women’s Advocates opened its doors in 1974. Women’s Advocates welcomes women and children of all backgrounds and cultures.

[wadvocates.org](https://wadvocates.org)

**WOMENVENTURE**
WomenVenture is a leader in providing the tools and support to help women start and grow a business, find a new job, or develop a new career path.

[WomenVenture](https://womenventure.org/index.cfm)
PUBLIC POLICY AND ADVOCACY-FOCUSED GROUPS

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
Welcome to the website of the Minneapolis Branch of the American Association of University Women. We invite you to find out about our organization, read about our program topics for the year, and check out our calendar and related links. Thank you for your interest; we would like to hear from you. We’d also welcome a visit from you to our historic Gale Mansion home.

aauwmpls.org (Minneapolis branch)
aauwmn.org (MN state branch)

CHILDREN’S LITERATURE RESEARCH COLLECTIONS
The Children’s Literature Research Collections is an internationally recognized resource in the field of children’s literature. Two notable collections are The Kerlan Collection that contains more than 65,000 children’s books as well as original material including manuscripts, art work, galleys, and color proofs and The Hess Collection that is comprised of primarily inexpensive, popular literature from the 19th and 20th centuries: dime novels, Big Little Books, comic books, etc.

special.lib.umn.edu/clrc

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS OFFICIAL WEBSITE
A wealth of information on everything from home ownership to public resources and loaded with useful links!

ci.minneapolis.mn.us

CITY OF SAINT PAUL OFFICIAL WEBSITE
Like the website for the City of Minneapolis, Saint Paul’s official website is one of the best sources of information on a variety of topics.
stpaul.gov

HMONG RESOURCE CENTER (HMONG CULTURAL CENTER)
The collections include about 300 Hmong-related books and periodicals, 120 Hmong-related theses and dissertations, about 450 Hmong-related academic journal articles, over 2000 Hmong-related newspaper articles and around 100 videos.

hmongcenter.org/hccresmatonc.html

IMMIGRATION HISTORY RESEARCH CENTER
The Immigration History Research Center is dedicated to fostering research on, and understanding of the history of American immigration. It locates, collects, and preserves the records of ethnic groups that originated primarily in Europe and the Near East. Its collections include personal papers, organizational records, books, newspapers, and other original sources documenting immigration and ethnicity in the United States. For a selected index of archival materials held in the IHRC, browse Appendix I for more details.

ihrc.umn.edu

ISLAMIC RESOURCE GROUP (IRG)
The Islamic Resource Group’s mission is to eliminate stereotyping through educational programs and to supplement existing cultural diversity & tolerance programs in public institutions through informative presentations that develop greater awareness & knowledge of Islam, Muslims, and other world religions.

irgmn.org

MINNEAPOLIS URBAN LEAGUE
The Minneapolis Urban League’s 2010 – 2013 strategic plan, GATEWAY TO OPPORTUNITY, is seen as the route to economic success and prosperity for African descendants who choose to pursue a healthy lifestyle, higher education, livable wage careers, and assets for the future.

mul.org
MINNESOTA INDIAN AFFAIRS COUNCIL (MIAC)
The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council (MIAC) was established in 1963 MN Statutes Chapter 888, Sec. 2 (3:922). MIAC is the official liaison between the State of Minnesota and the 11 tribal Governments within the state. The Council provides a forum for and advises state government on issues of concern to urban Indian communities. The Council administers three programs designed to enhance economic opportunities and protect cultural resources for the state’s American Indian constituencies.

indianaffairs.state.mn.us

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION FOR KOREAN AMERICANS
MAKA was formed in 1995 as the Mothers Association for Korean Americans to serve the young Korean American community in Minnesota. In recognition of its primarily serving the state of Minnesota, more importantly, the significant service of fathers and others in the organization, it was officially renamed the Minnesota Association for Korean Americans at the end of 2006. MAKA promotes and encourages young Korean Americans to learn about and take pride in Korean Culture.

makaweb.org

MINNESOTA MINORITY EDUCATION PROJECT (MMEP)
Minnesota Minority Education Partnership, Inc., is a nonprofit collaborative, founded in 1987, that seeks to increase the success of Students of Color and American Indian Students in Minnesota schools, colleges, and universities.

mep.org

MINNESOTA COUNCIL OF NON PROFITS
The Minnesota Council of Nonprofits (MCN) was founded in 1987 to meet the increasing information needs of nonprofits and to convene nonprofits to address issues facing the sector. MCN is the statewide association of more than 2,000 member nonprofit organizations. Through its Web site, resource publications, workshops and events, cost-saving programs and advocacy, MCN continually works to inform, promote, connect and strengthen individual nonprofits and the nonprofit sector.

mncn.org

MINNESOTA WOMEN’S CONSORTIUM
The Minnesota Women’s Consortium is the only one of its kind in the country. As a statewide collaboration of 160+ member organizations, the Consortium serves as a resource center to enhance equality and justice for women and children. The Consortium does not take a stand on issues but rather helps women working for progressive social change stay in touch. As a clearinghouse, the Consortium keeps member organizations informed on issues pertinent to their work, increasing members’ strength and impact.

mnwomen.org

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN (NCJW)
The National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a grassroots organization of volunteers and advocates who turn progressive ideals into action. Inspired by Jewish values, NCJW strives for social justice by improving the quality of life for women, children, and families and by safeguarding individual rights and freedoms. The Greater Minneapolis Section helps meet the needs of women, children and families through community service projects, advocacy education programs and member events.

http://www.ncjwmpls.org

NATIONAL INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
“Keeping the Commitment to American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians”. The National Indian Education Association, the oldest and largest Indian education representing American Indian, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian educators and students.

niea.org
AFRICAN AMERICAN FAMILY SERVICES (AAFS)
Our mission is to help the African American individual, family, and community to reach a greater state of well being through the delivery of community-based, culturally specific chemical health, mental health, and family preservation services. Cultural specificity is defined as the creation of an environment in which the identity and experience of a people in a specific group or culture is recognized, explored, and accepted. The atmosphere of AAFS is one where not only African Americans can feel supported, but bi-racial and/or multicultural families can also feel that their needs will be met. Cultural differences must be accounted for to ensure that our clients are receiving help through a process that is tailored to their needs.
aafs.net/index.asp

AFRICAN AMERICAN MUTUAL ASSISTANCE NETWORK (AAMAN)
AAMAN is committed to giving at-risk children of low-income families and special needs children the resources to realize the possibility of a successful and productive life. We believe the quality of the investment we make in them and their families will help to positively shape their future. These children represent the promise of accomplishing great things and deserve every opportunity to fulfill that promise without restrictions. AAMAN inspires children to learn, adults to teach and communities to move forward together.
aaman.us

AMERICAN INDIAN FAMILY CENTER
The founding mission of the American Indian Family Center has been to strengthen and value the capacity of the American Indian community, its culture and families to raise healthy, nurtured children to achieve their full potential and to be active, contributing members in their community. The purpose of the AIFC has been to support families to help ensure the development of healthy children. We believe that parents can find strength in cultural traditions. It is the traditions and values of the ‘old ways’ that will strengthen the family, keep families together and make communities healthy and strong. The purpose of the AIFC is to support families to help ensure the development of healthy children. We believe that parents can find strength in cultural traditions. It is the traditions and values of the ‘old ways’ that will strengthen the family, keep families together and make communities healthy and strong.
aifc.net

AURORA CENTER
TAC provides free and confidential crisis intervention to victims of sexual assault, relationship violence, stalking and harassment. TAC also provides services for “concerned persons,” that is, people who are concerned about a friend or loved one who has experienced these types of crimes. TAC accepts walk-in clients and operates a 24-hour help line, which is answered 365 days a year. The Aurora Center serves approximately 300 people per year through its advocacy services. The Aurora Center also provides education and training to University of Minnesota students, staff and faculty, as well as to the Twin-Cities community.
www1.umn.edu/aurora/about/index.html

BOYNTON MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC
Conveniently located in the heart of the East Bank, the East Bank Clinic is Boynton’s largest and main clinic facility on the Twin Cities campus. Boynton’s East Bank Clinic is one of the most comprehensive postsecondary health services in the nation. With a staff of over 200, the East Bank Clinic houses several individual clinics including Dental, Eye, Massage Therapy, Mental Health, Nutrition, Physical Therapy, Primary Care, Women’s, Travel Immunization, and Urgent Care. The East Bank Clinic is also home to a full-service Pharmacy and offers health and wellness services. All University of Minnesota Twin Cities Campus students, faculty, and staff are welcome. Most services are no out-of-pocket cost for full-time, degree-seeking students.
bhs.umn.edu/east-bank-clinic/index.htm
CENTER FOR SPIRITUALITY AND HEALING
The University of Minnesota’s Center for Spirituality & Healing enriches health and well-being by providing high-quality interdisciplinary education, conducting rigorous research, and delivering innovative programs that advance integrative health and healing. A part of the Academic Health Center, the Center for Spirituality & Healing draws on the rich expertise of faculty and community practitioners to advance our understanding of diverse cultures, beliefs and health practices, and builds on the University’s strengths of innovation and clinical excellence.
csh.umn.edu

CHILDREN’S LAW CENTER OF MN
CLC is appointed by the court to provide legal representation to children who are either wards of the state — “legal orphans” — or have been removed from their homes because they are in need of protection. CLC also represents foster children who request help. CLC provides this quality representation free of charge. Currently, CLC represents over 400 children. CLC advocates help children understand the system and help judges and other court workers understand what the children want. CLC’s staff attorneys and social worker provide expertise and years of experience to volunteer attorneys to support their efforts in representing foster children, including knowledge about specific laws and service available for the children.
clcmn.org

CHILDREN’S THEATRE COMPANY
The Children’s Theatre Company (CTC) exists to create extraordinary theatre experiences, and to advance theatre as a means of educating, challenging and inspiring young people. The Children’s Theatre Company seeks to be an international model for excellence in theatre. We strive to lead in the creation of new work for young people, in theatre training and generating initiatives for using theatre in education and community development. The Children’s Theatre Company offers an urban cultural center for young people and families, where theatre is the centerpiece, out of which emerge programs and activities celebrating diverse art forms, ideas and cultures. We will utilize the power of theatre to open discussion, touch hearts and question accepted notions.
childrenstheatre.org

COMO COMMUNITY CHILD CARE CENTER
CELC is a licensed childcare provider for children ages 16 months to six years. It was founded to provide childcare services to the University of Minnesota community. CELC still primarily serves University families, but also offers services to the surrounding community. Como Community Child Care is dedicated to serving a very diverse clientele. Due to our location and relationship with the University of Minnesota as a student group, the majority of our children’s parents are students. Within our student/parent population, you will find a wide range of family structures and needs, income levels, religious backgrounds, and ethnic backgrounds. We warmly welcome such diversity, and believe that it is crucial to the quality of childcare experienced by all families in the center.
comoccc.com

DISTRICT 202
District 202 continues to empower LGBTQ youth through a unique blend of programs, face-to-face interaction throughout the Twin Cities, and online engagement through a secure social networking site. Creating safe spaces online and throughout the Twin Cities is the most efficient and effective use of our and the community’s resources.
dist202.org/about-us

DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS
The University offers the same benefits to same-sex and heterosexual couples.
www1.umn.edu/ohr/benefits/domesticpartner

FRASER
Fraser is a nationally renowned Minnesota nonprofit serving children and adults with special needs through comprehensive education, healthcare and housing services. Fraser is a leading provider of autism services at a time when the need is critical.
fraser.org
GIRL SCOUTS OF MINNESOTA & WISCONSIN RIVER VALLEYS
Each year, the Girl Scouts of Minnesota and Wisconsin River Valleys serves nearly 45,000 girls in 49 counties. With the support of almost 18,000 volunteers, we help girls discover new abilities, connect with friends, and take action to improve their communities. Girls of all abilities in kindergarten through 12th grade are welcome. Adult volunteers are welcome too.
girlscoutsrv.org

GREATER TWIN CITIES UNITED WAY
Greater Twin Cities United Way creates a better life for us all by focusing on three key areas: Basic Needs, Education and Health. We attack poverty on multiple, interconnected fronts to achieve lasting change. We LIVE UNITED by collaborating with partner agencies, corporations, community leaders and people like you. United Way serves people living in or near poverty in nine counties: Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott and western Washington. Making a gift to United Way is the most effective way to help the whole community. An abundance of web links to resources of all kinds can be found on the United Way’s website.
unitedwaytwincities.org

HOPE COMMUNITY
Hope Community is a catalyst for change, growth and safety. We are building a sustainable neighborhood model through community organization, active education, leadership and affordable housing development. The depth of Hope’s connection in the community is a major asset that Hope brings to neighborhood revitalization. As we rebuild our physical neighborhood into a place that nurtures children and families, we create multiple ways for people to connect around things important to them and their community. Hundreds of people each year are involved in youth and family activities, leadership and organizing, art and community projects, learning opportunities and community and cultural events. Hope’s Community Listening model has involved over 2000 people in small dialogues about their community.
hope-community.org

ILLUSION THEATER
Illusion Theater was founded in 1974 and presents its season on the 8th floor of the Hennepin Center for the Arts in downtown Minneapolis. Since the beginning, Producing Directors Michael Robins and Bonnie Morris have led Illusion Theater in illuminating the illusions, myths, and realities of our times and in using the power of theater to catalyze personal and social change. In thirty-five years, Illusion has generated over 500 plays, developed thousands of artists, and created groundbreaking educational works. Plays developed at Illusion have been produced in theaters throughout the world. Illusion’s work has catalyzed conversations in living rooms, kitchens, coffee houses, and boardrooms, and has led to transformations in policy, in organizations, in students, and in individuals.
illusiontheater.org

MINNEAPOLIS INSTITUTE OF ARTS
The Minneapolis Institute of Arts enriches the community by collecting, preserving, and making accessible outstanding works of art from the world’s diverse cultures. The MIA is Minnesota’s largest art educator. More than a half-million people visit the museum each year. A hundred thousand more are reached through the museum’s Art Adventure program for elementary schoolchildren. The museum’s free general-admission policy, public programs, classes for children and adults, and award-winning interactive media programs have helped to broaden and deepen this museum’s roots in the communities it serves.
artsmia.org

MINNEAPOLIS PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Welcome to the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), one of the premier park systems in the United States. Its picturesque lakes, neighborhood parks, recreation centers and diversified programming have made the park system an important component of what makes Minneapolis a great place to live, play and work. The Minneapolis Park System consists of 182 park properties, including local and regional parks, playgrounds, golf courses, gardens, picnic areas, biking and walking paths, nature sanctuaries and the 55-mile Grand Rounds National Scenic Byway. Together, these properties total nearly 6,732 acres of land and water. The
backbone of the park system is its 49 full-service neighborhood recreation centers. In addition, many Minneapolis cultural and historic amenities are located on parkland or administered by the Park Board.

minneapolisparks.org

MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY
Forty-one libraries. More than 5 million books, CDs and DVDs in 40 world languages. Around 1,750 public computers. Eleven library board members. One great system serving 1.1 million residents of Hennepin County. In 2008 the Hennepin County Library system merged with the Minneapolis Library system, creating a premier 41-library system to serve both city and suburban Hennepin County. The library is committed to serving as Hennepin County’s partner in lifelong learning with programs for babies to seniors, new immigrants, small business owners and students of all ages.

hclib.org/kids

MINNEAPOLIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS (MPS)
From the first morning bus route to the last activity of the night, countless efforts combine to educate 34,000-plus students in Minneapolis Public Schools (MPS) every day. MPS turn everyday achievement into student achievement. The Minneapolis Public Schools embraces diversity in our students, in our staff, and in the programs we offer to accelerate learning.

mpls.k12.mn.us

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Led by Commissioner Dr. Brenda Cassellius, the Minnesota Department of Education is an innovative agency serving a wide range of customers: approximately 850,000 K-12 students and their families; 118,000 young children participating in a variety of early learning programs including Head Start and ECFE; 82,000 adult learners participating in adult education programs including GED and citizenship programs; Minnesota’s 339 school districts and over 52,000 licensed teachers. Improve educational achievement by establishing clear standards, measuring performance, assisting educators and increasing opportunities for lifelong learning.

education.state.mn.us/mde/index.html

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Our mission is to work with citizens to conserve and manage the state’s natural resources, to provide outdoor recreation opportunities, and to provide for commercial uses of natural resources in a way that creates a sustainable quality of life.

dnr.state.mn.us/dnrkids/index.html

MINNESOTA HISTORY CENTER
An interactive museum with both permanent and changing exhibits, the Minnesota History Center hosts concerts, lectures, family days and other special events throughout the year. The building is also home to the Minnesota Historical Society library and archives, a research destination for schoolchildren, family historians and academics.

minnesotahistorycenter.org

MINNESOTA ORGANIZATION ON ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY, PREVENTION AND PARENTING (MOAPP)
MOAPP is the statewide leader in promoting adolescent sexual health, preventing adolescent pregnancy and gaining support for adolescent parents. We achieve this by developing, strengthening and advancing science-based policies and programs.

moappp.org
MIXED BLOOD THEATRE
Mixed Blood Theatre has invited the global village into its audience and onto its stage for a unique brand of provocative, inclusive, and predictably unpredictable theater since 1976. With programming in its historic firehouse in Minneapolis, in satellite venues throughout the Upper Midwest, and in the national workplace, Mixed Blood leads audiences to a much larger world, using relevant and entertaining theater to spawn a ripple effect of social change. Winner of numerous awards for its human rights and artistic accomplishments, Mixed Blood pays positive attention to differences and champions access. The company annually serves 75,000 people through its main stage season of new plays, a regional tour of 5–7 shows, and a series of customized productions addressing workplace inclusion.
mixedblood.com

OFF-CAMPUS CHILD CARE
All University of Minnesota employees can access childcare resources through Career/Life Alliance Services (CLAS), a free childcare resource and referral information service. CLAS can help you with your child care search by providing access to current openings in licensed child care and preschools, care resources for special circumstances such as sick child care, drop-in care, and temporary care, information on evaluating child care programs, instructions on how to do background checks of potential care providers, tips for communicating with your provider and practical help for preparing your child for child care.
calliance.net (if prompted, the login is “university” and password is “minnesota”)

OUT FOR EQUITY
Out for Equity is a GLBTQ program for students, educators, and families in the Saint Paul Public Schools. Out for Equity believes that every student, staff member, and family deserves a safe, supportive school environment that fosters positive self esteem, respect for others, and academic success. Out for Equity is committed to reducing high risk behavior among lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students; reducing harassment and violence against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students, staff, and families; and fostering school environments that value diversity.
outforequity.spps.org

PACER
The mission of PACER Center (Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights) is to expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life of children and young adults with disabilities and their families, based on the concept of parents helping parents.
pacer.org

PENUMBRA THEATRE
Penumbra Theatre creates professional productions that are artistically excellent, thought provoking, relevant, and illuminate the human condition through the prism of the African American experience. Penumbra’s goals are to increase public awareness of the significant contributions of African Americans in creating a diversified American theatrical tradition; to encourage and facilitate a culturally diverse and all-inclusive America by using theatre to teach, criticize, comment and model; to use theatre to create an American mythology that includes African Americans and other peoples of color in every thread of the fabric of our society; and to continue to maintain and stabilize a black performing arts community.
penumbratheatre.org

PILLSBURY UNITED COMMUNITIES
Pillsbury United Communities is a nonprofit organization working to create choice, change and connection for people from all walks of life. With multiple locations in Minneapolis’ inner city neighborhoods – including four neighborhood centers and a professional live theatre – Pillsbury United Communities is positioned to address the complicated issues and concerns faced by the more than 35,000 people who walk through our doors each year. The agency emphasizes people over programs – yet recognizes that programs are an important part of addressing inequalities. When the agency was founded in 1879, services offered included a day nursery for working families and mothers, a health clinic, industrial training, and sewing classes. The agency’s 200 staff often live in the neighborhoods where they work and are passionate about helping the community and its members grow and solve the challenges they face.
puc-mn.org
RAINBOW FAMILIES COUNCIL
The Rainbow Families Council is a volunteer community organization that aims to ensure equality for rainbow families (parents, partners and prospective parents who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, or intersex, and their children).

rainbowfamilies.org

SABATHANI
Sabathani serves a culturally diverse population of more than 24,000 people throughout South Minneapolis and beyond. Individuals and families come to Sabathani for a food shelf, free clothing and household goods, after-school programming for children and youths, a senior center and health resources for the entire family. Sabathani collaborates with up to 40 other nonprofits in the building whose services complement its mission. Space is also available for events such as concerts, plays, conferences, banquets, graduations and more. Sabathani employs staff in executive management, human resources, program management, finance, fund development and facilities services. For more than 40 years, Sabathani has served as an anchor in the community and the place-serving people.

sabathani.org

SAINT PAUL PARKS AND RECREATION
We are excited to show you learning and leisure time programs, a wide variety of facilities and dozens of services available to you through Saint Paul Parks and Recreation. Those of us who serve you as employees of the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department are committed to do our best to provide you with high quality experiences.

stpaul.gov/index.aspx?NID=243

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC LIBRARY
The Vision of the Saint Paul Public Library is to be respected and recognized, by people of all ages and diverse backgrounds, as their doorway to reading and information. The Mission of the Saint Paul Public Library is to anticipate and respond to the community’s need for information; to facilitate lifelong learning; to stimulate and nurture a desire to read in young people; to provide reading materials to meet the interests of all ages; and to enrich the quality of life in the community.

stpaul.lib.mn.us/families

SAINT PAUL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
With more than 38,000 students, Saint Paul Public Schools (SPPS) is Minnesota’s second-largest school district. Through highly trained and deeply dedicated staff, innovative education programs, and the support of our community, we offer students and families a world of opportunities. Our student population is diverse. Students hail from countries throughout the world, speak more than 70 languages and dialects, and come to the District with an array of educational experiences and skills.

spps.org

SCIENCE MUSEUM OF MINNESOTA
The Science Museum of Minnesota, founded in 1907, is a large regional science museum located on the banks of the Mississippi River in downtown St. Paul. The Science Museum’s programs combine research and collection facilities, a public science education center, extensive teacher education and school outreach programs, and an Imax Convertible Dome Omnitheater to provide science education to our audience of more than a million people per year.

smm.org

SHIRLEY G. MOORE LABORATORY NURSERY SCHOOL
The Shirley G. Moore Laboratory Nursery School offers a half-day program for children ages 2 to 5 years old. A limited number of fee subsidies are available for low-income families. Licensed for 54 children, applicants are selected randomly from the waiting list.

cehd.umn.edu/icd/labschool/default.asp

TEATRO DEL PUEBLO
Teatro del Pueblo is a small, non-profit Latino theater located in St. Paul, MN. Fostered by the Latino community on the West Side, it has grown since its inception in 1992 to serve St. Paul, Minneapolis, the metro area and greater Minnesota. Based in the West Side’s Latino community, Teatro del Pueblo promotes Latino culture through the creation and presentation of performing arts. Teatro develops and supports Latino artists, provides educational opportunities for all to experience Latino culture and promotes cross-cultural dialogue.

teatrodelpueblo.org
TUBMAN

Tubman helps women, children and families struggling with relationship violence, substance abuse and mental health. Throughout the Twin Cities, Tubman provides safe shelter, legal services, counseling, youth programming and community education while guiding and sustaining individuals and families on the journey from chaos and fear to healing and restoration. Since merging with Chrysalis, A Center for Women, Tubman offers a full range of clinical counseling services to help make a transition back to safe and healthy living. Tubman employs professional, experienced and qualified staff with diverse interests, specialties and degrees, including: licensed psychologists; licensed independent clinical social workers; licensed marriage & family therapists; clinical nurse specialist; art & play therapists; and lesbian-identified therapists. Tubman offers support groups dealing with a variety of topics.

tubman.org

WASHBURN

Washburn Center for Children is the leader in helping children with social, emotional and behavioral mental health problems and their families. All of our services are designed to develop skills, resolve problems and connect with resources to help the child be more successful at home, in school and in the community. Washburn Center for Children strives to integrate innovative research into program practice, implement meaningful evaluation methods and provide effective training and consultation for agency staff and community collaborators.

washburn.org

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
CHILD CARE CENTER

Located near the East Bank campus, the University Child Care Center serves children, ages 3 months to pre-kindergarten, of U faculty, staff, and students. As there is a long waiting list, be sure to consider other childcare options. Contact the center for an application.

cehd.umn.edu/ChildCareCenter/default.html

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
EXTENSION SERVICE

The University of Minnesota is one of the nation’s more than 100 land grant colleges and universities with a mission to engage in teaching, research and extension. Through Extension, land grant institutions “extend” their resources to address critical public issues through non-formal, non-credit education. Extension faculty and staff live and work across the state, in regional and county offices, University campuses, and research and outreach centers. Minnesotans need timely, practical information they can trust. Extension’s network of educators and researchers address the most pressing issues facing Minnesota in the areas of environment, food and agriculture, communities, families, and youth.

extension.umn.edu

YWCA MINNEAPOLIS

The YWCA of Minneapolis lives the mission of empowering women and girls and eliminating racism through our many community programs. Our Girls & Youth programs focus on the strengths of young people and encourage them to create and expect great things in their lives. Our Public Policy department gives a unified voice to thousands of concerned constituents and determines legislative priorities in partnership with members. Public Policy’s Leadership Registry works to increase the number of women and people of color serving on nonprofit and government boards in the Twin Cities. Our Racial Justice department works with various members of the community to tear down the barriers of racism. And the Women’s Wellness program helps women and communities of color discovery the joy of healthy living.

ywca-minneapolis.org

YWCA SAINT PAUL

Last year our programs and services in Housing & Supportive Services, Youth Development, Health & Wellness and Skills for Life & Work empowered more than 5,770 people to reach their goals and improve their quality of life. Whether helping homeless families to make a new start, empowering young people to build bright futures, putting better health within reach or teaching skills to support self-sufficiency, we help people to create change in their lives! YWCA St. Paul is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

ywcaofstpaul.org
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