

Community Circle Collaborative

Lead Partner

Education and Housing Equity Project

Organizing Partners

Citizens League

City of Minneapolis, Office of the Mayor

Institute on Race and Poverty, University of Minnesota

INTER-RACE, Augsburg College

Macalester College Department of Urban Studies

Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing

Minneapolis Initiative Against Racism

Minneapolis Public Schools

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program

Minnesota Minority education Partnership

Minnesota Public Radio Civic Journalism Project

Minnesota Churches Anti-Racism Initiative of the Greater Minneapolis, Minnesota, and

St. Paul Area Councils of Churches

Minnesota Fair Housing Center

Minnesota Meeting

People's Institute for Survival and Beyond, North Chapter

Southside Neighborhood Housing Services

Twin Cities Free-Net

Urban Coalition

West Metro Education Project

Funding Partners

Bremer Foundation

Bush Foundation

Center for Urban and Regional Affairs

Minneapolis Foundation

Saint Paul Foundation

COWLES Media Foundation

National Partners

Study Circles Resource Center

Kettering Foundation / National Issues Forums

In addition to the organizing and funding partners, many partner organizations and individuals are joining the collaborative as resource partners, facilitators, and as sponsors of the community circles being convened throughout the metropolitan area.

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Faith-based

SPEAC
Catholic Office of Social Justice
Jewish Community Action
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Project
Interfaith Action

Housing

MICAH
MN Fair Housing Center
Jobs and Affordable Housing Campaign
MN Housing Partnership
MN Coalition for Affordable Housing
Housing Discrimination Law Project,
Legal Aide Society of Minneapolis
Simpson Housing Services
Southside Neighborhood Housing
Services
Community Stabilization Project

Education

MMEP
Mpls. Public Schools
HHH Center for School Change,
Twin Cities Charter School Initiative
Pacer Center
WMEP
Achievement Plus
Seed Academy/Harvest Prep School
Summit Academy/OIC

Community-Focused

Urban Coalition
Mpls Urban League
Mpls. NAACP
Communities of Color Institute

Social Service

Ramsey Action Programs
Hennepin County Children and Family
Services
Family and Children Services
Greater Mpls Day Care Assoc.
Northwest Hennepin Human Services
Council

Metropolitan

Alliance for Metropolitan Stability

Transportation

Transit for Livable Communities

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League of Women Voters
Citizens League

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Business

MN Center for Corporate Responsibility

Media

MPR Civic Journalism Initiative
MN Journalism Center
Minnesota Citizens Forum
Hungry Mind Review
KMOJ and KFAI

Academic

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Active Citizenship School
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Democracy
Humphrey Forum
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Mpls and St. Paul Civil Rights Comm.

Municipal and Neighborhood

Mpls NRP
Mayor's Groups

Facilitation/Mediation

Society of Professionals in Dispute
Resolution (SPDR)
Minnesota Facilitators Network (MFN)

Anti-Racism

Minnesota Churches Anti-Racism Initiative
Minneapolis Initiative Against Racism

National

Study Circles Resource Center (SCRC)

News from Sponsors

Look Who's Joining the Growing List of Sponsors for the Community Circle Dialogue!

The growing list of *Community Circle* sponsors now includes churches from Minneapolis to Burnsville, school districts (including school board members and superintendents), housing authorities, human rights commissions, municipalities (including mayors and city council members), local chambers of commerce, neighborhood associations and a variety of community-based organizations.

In **Richfield**, for example, the School District is collaborating with the Richfield Community Council and the local chapter of the League of Women Voters to convene and co-facilitate at least two study circles.

The **City of Golden Valley** is jointly sponsoring *Community Circle* discussion groups with its Black History Month Advisory Committee, the Twin West Chamber of Commerce and the Hopkins School District.

Other partners, such as the University of Minnesota's **Newman Center** are sponsoring a speaker series on housing and segregation.

Following these presentations, the partners will extend an invitation to participants

to form a *Community Circle*.

Members of **Ascension Church** in north Minneapolis are sponsoring a *Community Circle* that will include citizens of African-American, Latino/Chicano and European/Caucasian heritage from Minneapolis, Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center and Maple Grove.

Meanwhile, the Interfaith Action Core Team of **St. Joan of Arc Church**, a metropolitan parish in south Minneapolis, is also forming a study circle.

Also in south Minneapolis, the Sabathani Community Center is sponsoring a circle jointly with the Central Neighborhood Improvement Association.

In cyberspace, the Twin Cities Free-Net is proposing two on-line conferencing projects in support of the *Community Circle* project.

Other groups and organizations who have "signed on" or are about to join include:

Edina Public Schools and Human Rights Commission; Minneapolis Community Education; Southside Neighborhood Housing Services; Presbyterian Church of the Apostles, Burnsville; First Universalist Church of Minneapolis; St. Louis Park Pub-

lic Schools, Housing Authority, Human Rights Commission and Office of the Mayor; Seward Neighborhood Group; Field-Regina-Northrup Neighborhood Association; Grace University Lutheran Church; Panorama Consulting and Training; Saint Paul Public Schools and Human Rights Department; Family and Children's Service, Hennepin County; Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association; St. David's School, Minnetonka; Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis; Whittier Alliance (Housing Committee); West Metro Education Program; United Way of the Minneapolis Area; Mediation Services (Anoka County), and City of Eden Prairie, Office of the Mayor (pending).

Individuals representing many more organizations attended the Kick-Off forum and are "part of the network."

To get involved, please sign and return the *Participation Pledge Form* on the reverse side of this page. Or, if you need more information before making a commitment, send in the form below. We look forward to hearing from you!

Join the Community Circle Discussions!

We would be interested in sponsoring or convening a *Community Circle* discussion group!

Please send more information.

Name of Sponsoring Organization: _____

Address: _____

Name of Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

We will co-sponsor a *Community Circle* with the following organization: _____

We would like our *Community Circle* to be paired with a circle from another organization!

Note: If you plan to provide your own facilitators, please include their names, addresses, phone numbers, and fax numbers below. They will be invited to attend one of two training sessions scheduled for February 15 and February 20 (see story, page 2).

Here is a facilitator from our organization! Name: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____

Please match a facilitator or co-facilitator with our organization.

Return ASAP to:

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