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1999 Cities At Work—Fall Forum

A Continuing Public Dialogue on Race, Connections, and Commitment to Action

BEYOND TOLERANCE: A CALL TO ACTION

November 8, 1999

Arlington High School

Keynote Speaker: john powell, Institute on Race and Poverty

Talk. Dialogue. Action. Can we move beyond talk and passive tolerance for our cultural and economic differences to committed action? For the past eight months, over eight hundred people have been engaged in dialogue on the challenges of housing, education, and racial reconciliation in our community.



Learn from their experiences and join others in forging action steps that make a difference in our community. We can complement each others' strengths and assets as we work community-wide towards cross-cultural understanding and racial reconciliation.

Hear what others have discussed and learned in the 1999 Cities at Work forums and in the Community Circle Dialogues about the impact of racism and economics on their lives

Explore how group and individual actions can address the challenges of economic and racial injustice

Discover how you can personally become involved with others to initiate community-wide strategies

Share good food and conversation as we affirm our ongoing commitment to eliminating racism and creating a more inclusive community

Join these organizations and others at the Call to Action:

St. Paul Council of Churches
Education and Housing Equality Project
MN Advocates for Human Rights
Minnesota Minority Education Project
Saint Paul Housing Campaign
Alliance for Metropolitan Stability
Immigration Task Force
Minnesota Churches Anti-Racism Initiative
Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing
St. Paul Ecumenical Alliance of Congregations
Hamline/Midway Alliance for a Prejudice Free Community
and MANY OTHERS.....

The agenda for the day:

Date: Monday, Nov 8, 1999
Location: Arlington High School
1459 Rice Street
5:00 p.m. Registration & Dinner
5:30 p.m. Public Forum
Opening: Yusef Mgeni
Keynote Speaker: john powell
Call to Action: Rev. Devin Miller

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Registration

All events are free and open to the public, but advanced registration is required for meals. For more information contact Linda at 651/642-4060 or lmh@wilder.org.

Name _____

Organization (if any) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Ph: _____ Fx: _____ E-mail _____

Send registration to: Linda Hoskins, A.H. Wilder Foundation, 919 Lafond Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55104
Fax: 651/642-2088

**BEYOND TOLERANCE: A CALL TO ACTION
SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS**

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

Group A Advocate for affordable and accessible housing

Group B Expand fair and inclusionary housing practices

Group C Create a housing information clearinghouse

ENRICHING OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH OUR DIVERSITY

Group D Expand opportunities for circle dialogues about race and racism

Group E Welcoming new immigrants in our communities

Group F Develop faith-based action for racial justice

Group G Celebrate our diverse cultural heritage through community events
and gatherings

Group H Expand community involvement in Census 2000

Group I Fight hate crime in our neighborhoods

Group J Link and coordinate community efforts on undoing racism, racial
reconciliation

SCHOOLS, EDUCATION AND YOUTH

Group K Insure equitable education opportunities and resources

Group L Link youth with adults to take leadership in further understanding
and combating racism

Group M Improve school, parent, and community relationships

Group N Support and implement a multicultural curriculum in our public
schools

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

Group O Intensify positive media attention on race relations and racism

Group P Develop new information resources (websites, newsletters, etc.) for the public dialogue on race and racism

CHANGING THE WAYS WE DO BUSINESS

Group Q Promote minority business development opportunities

Group R Recruit and retain workers in a tight labor market

Group S Infuse cultural awareness in the workplace