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**Education and
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Memo

To: Prospective and Committed Sponsors of Community Circle Dialogues on Education, Housing and Segregation

From: EHEP - Education and Housing Equity Project, Pam Jewson, Administrative Assistant

Date: 01/11/99

Subject: Site Commitment Forms and Announcement of Kick-Off Forums
Conversation at the Crossroads of Education, Housing and Race

On behalf of the Education and Housing Equity Project, we would like to thank you for your interest in sponsoring a Community Circles conversation. As we anticipate the next round of Community Circles, we are excited that you may be adding your voice to address issues of segregation in housing and education in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

Enclosed with this memo is the Site Commitment Form. Please complete and return this form to us as quickly as possible. This information will enable us to help publicize your circle to prospective participants, assign a facilitator(s) to your circle, and deliver the discussion guides in advance of your first meeting. Remember that the schedule for each community circle must include at least five sessions of 2 hours each.

Also enclosed is the flyer announcing the Community Circle Kick-Off Forums on January 21, in St. Louis Park and February 4, in St. Paul. We encourage you to attend or send sponsor representatives to at least one of these Forums.

I look forward to hearing from you. If I can answer any questions, please do not hesitate to call me (or Dick Little) at the Education and Housing Project at 612-330-1505 (612-330-1507 fax).

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To: Committed Sponsors/Community Circles on Education, Housing and Race
From: EHEP-Education and Housing Equity Project
Date: 02/01/99
Re: Information Packet for Community Circle Sponsor

We would like to thank you for your commitment to hosting a Community Circle. Please find enclosed a packet of information and forms to help you publicize and establish a successful Circle.

1. FACT Sheet
2. List of Committed Sponsors as of February 1, 1999
3. Model Format - for use in publicizing your own Circle
4. Model Format - for use in publicizing your Circle and all other Community Circles (note schedule of Circles on reverse side)
5. Organizational checklist - for assuring a successful Circle meeting
6. Steps to Success - for planning a successful Circle

These guides will help you to optimize your resources for publicity coverage. To achieve a diverse Circle you will want to determine the most effective and creative ways to reach your community, such as school newsletters, church bulletins, Chamber of Commerce meetings or local papers, etc.

If you have any questions or need further assistance please feel free to contact either Dick Little or myself at Education and Housing Equity Project (EHEP) 330-1505.

Sincerely,

Pam Jewson
Administrative Assistant

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KICK-OFF FORUM
Conversations at the Crossroads
Community Circle Dialogues
on
Education, Housing, Race and Segregation
in the
Twin Cities Metropolitan Area

AGENDA

Thursday, February 4, 1999
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Metropolitan State University - 700 East 7th Street, Saint Paul

10:00 Sign-in and refreshments

10:10 Welcome and introduction of speakers

Penny Harris Reyner
Associate Vice President
Community & Government Relations
Metropolitan State University

10:15 Brief introduction to the Community Circle Project

Dick Little - Executive Director
Education and Housing Equity Project

10:20 The challenges of racial and ethnic inequality and economic segregation: a profile of the Twin Cities, Saint Paul and East Metro community

Dr. Samuel L. Myers Jr.
Roy Wilkins Professor of Human Relations
and Social Justice
Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs
University of Minnesota

10:35 The connection to quality education and student achievement: the value of integrated education and inclusive educational institutions and practices

Al Oertwig - Board Director
Saint Paul Board of Education

10:45 The connection to fair and affordable housing and access to job and life opportunities: the challenge of creating inclusive communities

Rev. Oliver White - Senior Minister
Grace Community United Church of Christ

10:55 Call to conversation and action: an invitation to participate in the Community Circles Dialogue and Challenge to put our cities to work

Tom Kingston - President
Amherst H. Wilder Foundation

11:00 Questions & discussion

12:00 Adjourn

**Conversations at the Crossroads
of Education, Housing and Race in the Twin Cities**

Training Opportunities

January 22

5:30-9:00 p.m.

Orientation to Community Circles for facilitators & co-facilitators
Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution
All facilitators and co-facilitators are required to attend.
(Scribes are also welcome to attend if interested.)

January 23

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Understanding Community and Institutional Racism
Nadine & Jim Addington
Training available to all sponsor contacts, facilitators,
co-facilitators and scribes.

Both sessions will be held at Christensen Center, Augsburg College. Free parking will be available.

For more information, call Barbara Blackstone at 651-297-7200, Mariann Johnson at 612-872-7959, or Jan Frankman at 612-935-5158.

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Yes, I am interested in being a co-facilitator or scribe for a Cities at Work Community Circle Dialogue.

I will attend the January 22 orientation session.

I will attend the January 23 Understanding Community and Institutional Racism workshop.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Please return to Barbara Blackstone, Fax 651-297-7200
Office of Dispute Resolution, 340 Centennial Office Building, St. Paul, MN 55155

JOIN US FOR

CONVERSATIONS AT THE CROSSROADS

Education, Housing and Race in the Twin Cities

- A chance to deeply listen to other beliefs and experiences
- An opportunity to examine your own beliefs and attitudes
- A place to meet with others and find common ground for action

For more information, come to one of the

KICK-OFF FORUMS

West Metro

***January 21, Thursday, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

St. Louis Park City Council Chambers – 5005 Minnetonka Boulevard

Mayor Gail Dorfman will welcome the following presenters:

***Dr. Barbara Pulliam** – Superintendent, St. Louis Park School District

***Rep. Carlos Miriani-Rosa** – Executive Director
Minnesota Minority Education Partnership

***Russ Adams** – Director, Alliance for Metropolitan Stability

East Metro

***February 4, Thursday, 10:00 – 12:00 noon**

Metropolitan State University (Great Hall) – 700 East 7th St., Saint Paul

Dennis Nielsen, Interim President, will welcome the following presenters:

***Rev. Oliver White** – Pastor, Grace Community Church

***Becky Montgomery** – St. Paul School Board Member

***Dr. Samuel L. Myers, Jr.** – Roy Wilkins Professor of Human Relations
and Social Justice, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs

Call soon to reserve your space

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