

MISSION MOMENT



New East Metro Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Presenters

On April 26th and 27th, sixteen immigrant community members and individuals that work with immigrant populations were trained as ACE Interface presenters through The East Metro Project this past April. This cohort is eager to raise awareness about the impact of ACEs and provide tools for building resilience in their communities.

Below are some reflections from the cohort from the closing circle at the training:

- "This is info I wish I learned 10 years ago, I have interactions with foster parents, and we ask how many times "what is wrong this child", and I felt ashamed...this is something I truly needed in my community...I can see myself bring this to communities. The fact that we have trauma makes me feel like I'm not alone ."
- "...I have been to many ACE presentations, and I always learn something new, this is a training that we need to bring to our communities."
- "...I have found a career that I feel I can impact lives, and feel we can change the outcomes of children."

NEWS FROM MINNESOTA COMMUNITIES CARING FOR CHILDREN (MCCC)

Thank You for Your Support!



April Imagine if...Breakfast

Thanks to the many community champions who attended the breakfast, we raised more than \$17,000, with promises of more to come, to sustain our work to prevent child abuse and neglect in Minnesota. At the event, new and long-time supporters of MCCC made personal commitments to encourage the parents in their lives and to spread the word about our efforts in their communities. If you were unable to attend this Imagine If... Breakfast, we hope that you will join us at our next breakfast event on October 4, 2018 in Saint Paul.



MCCC is Looking for a Program Assistant!

Interested in helping Minnesota Communities Caring for Children carry out our mission of empowering parents and communities to build supportive relationships, nurture children, and prevent child abuse and neglect? If you're invested in helping to create healthy and happy communities and are looking for employment, then please apply to be our new Program Assistant.

The Program Assistant performs administrative duties across MCCC program functions, including the Parent Leadership (PLCSP) program, ACE Interface and community education programs, and Circle of Parents; and provides administrative support to the organization's work.

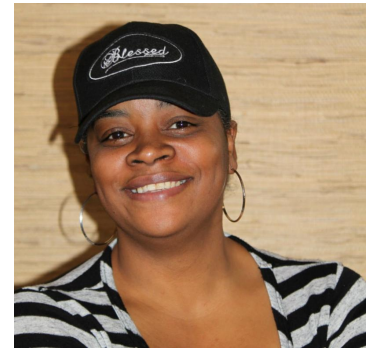
Apply Today! Deadline is May 25th.

THE FACES BEHIND THE WORK

Meet Our New Staff!

Roxanne Draughn, Civic Engagement Coordinator

As the Civic Engagement Coordinator, Roxanne will be working around the state to expand grassroots advocacy efforts in rural and suburban parts of the state with rapidly growing populations of people of color. In doing so, she will be building the leadership pipeline of organizers of color while spreading MCCC's message of prevention across the state.



Roxanne started her career as a legal administrative assistant. She has worked in a variety of industries over the past two decades including ten years in the nonprofit sector. She is a current member of the [Parent Leadership for Child Safety and Permanency \(PLCSP\) Team](#).

According to Roxanne, "As I continue to build my own pathways of making my dreams come true, my biggest goal is to make a positive, strong effect on my family (sons) and community. The reason it is important to impact my community is stuck to me through the words of my oldest son, 'I know you want to get me ready for the world, mom but you need to get the world ready for me!' Since those amazing words of fire and ambition, that has been my mission."

UPCOMING EVENTS & TRAININGS

Take me Out to the Ball Game!



Game Details:

Sunday, August 19, 2018 at 1:10 pm

MN Twins vs Detroit Tigers

For every \$20 ticket purchased, MCCC will receive a \$5 donation. Children under 30 inches tall are free. Seats are in the Grandstand.

Deadline to Register is July 13, 2018

Please share this invitation with friends, family and colleagues – we would love to have a huge crowd showing their support at the game! [Register here.](#)

NEWS YOU CAN USE



MN Communities Caring for Children Resources

Would you like to share information about MCCC's programs with your friends, family, colleagues, or in your community? Check out our informational brochures, bookmarks, and handouts!

You can download the pdf versions of our materials on our website by clicking [here](#) or you can order professionally printed versions by submitting an [online publications order](#).

Resources available include:

- Bookmarks with tips for building resilience and supporting healthy brain development, as well as information about adverse childhood experiences and protective factors that strengthen families and prevent maltreatment
- Brochures about MCCC programs including Circle of Parents and Parents for Leadership and Child Permanency Team.
- Handouts with tips for building resiliency, overview of our programs, and an info-graphic sheet of the impact MCCC is having in Minnesota.



Research Review: Social Norms 101

By Prevent Child Abuse America

"Each month Prevent Child Abuse America's Chief Research and Strategy Officer, Dr. Bart Klika, does a quick run-down of emerging research related to child abuse and neglect prevention.

In this installment, Dr. Bart Klika goes over the topic of social norms 101, including a general overview of norm concepts, definitions used, and the basics of gap theory. This quick video is the first in a two-part series. The second half will focus on the applications of social norms and how we have used this research in our work."

[Watch the video here](#)

Webinar: Using Positive Youth Development to help young people navigate work and life

By: Annie E. Casey Foundation and Child Trends



May 15, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. ET

"The [webinar](#) incorporates Positive Youth Development into training, education, and employment programs for young people. Positive Youth Development (PYD) is a framework that cultivates strengths and addresses risk behaviors in adolescents. By applying PYD approaches to employment training settings for young adults, professionals can better support young people as they navigate work and life."

[Register for the webinar here.](#)



Culture of Continuous Learning Project: What is the Breakthrough Series Collaborative?

"A new video and [literature review](#) from Child Trends experts and their colleagues at UMass Boston, the Center for the Study of Social Policy, and JRA Consulting, Ltd. examines the potential of the Breakthrough Series Collaborative as an improvement strategy for early care and education programs. This quality improvement model establishes teams of teachers, parents, administrators, and support staff to plan, implement, study, and modify different methods of promoting social and emotional learning in the classroom."

[Watch the video here.](#)

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