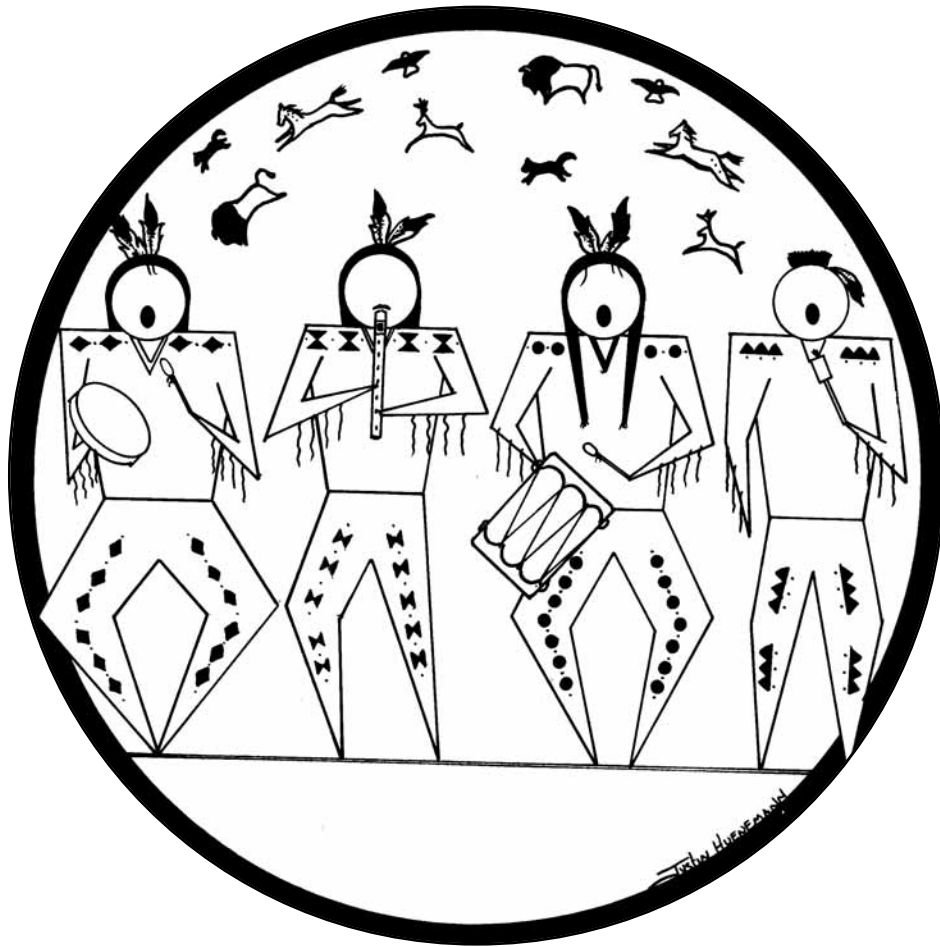


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## Native American Community Development Initiative

American Indians, nationally and locally, are exploring new ideas and opportunities for restoring and strengthening American Indian self-determination and self-sufficiency. American Indians are embracing and connecting education, technology and community development strategies resulting in pockets of improved socioeconomic stability.

Recognizing that deficit and poverty-based strategies must be replaced with comprehensive strength-based strategies, Indian Country has been increasingly focused on developing economic and technological infrastructure, providing strength-based, capacity-building opportunities and securing long-term financial well-being for its communities.

Locally, American Indian residents of Hennepin County desire security, an opportunity to provide for their families, maintain their communal relationships and strengthen their tribal and cultural foundations. To this end, American Indian community members are demanding and pursuing creative and accountable strategies and investments that lead to sustainable progress and measurable outcomes.

To address growing concern about the lack of improvement in the quality of life for American Indian families, the American Indian Families Project (AIFP), after two years of careful listening and learning, is developing a new Native American Community Development Institute (NACDI).

The creation of a new, multifaceted institute with a focus on community development is fueled by the American Indian community's vision and its desire to prepare to meet global, national and local trends, while remaining true to American Indian cultural identity and values.

To learn more about what NACDI can do for you please e-mail us at [aifp@co.hennepin.mn.us](mailto:aifp@co.hennepin.mn.us)



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# A

## **Ain Dah Yung (Our Home) Center**

Executive Director: Yvonne Barrett  
1089 Portland Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55101  
Phone: 651-227-4184/Fax: 651-224-5136  
[www.aindahyung.com](http://www.aindahyung.com)

*Mission:* To Assist American Indian Youth and families to thrive in safety, wholeness and a healing place within the community.

Culturally specific emergency shelter for American Indian youth, ages 5 - 17 years of age. Residential services are provided to youth who are homeless, runaway, in a family crisis, or involved with social services or juvenile corrections. Services include emergency and short term shelter, crisis intervention, case and systems advocacy, counseling, and community education. Unaccompanied youth (up to 21) can receive the following street outreach services without staying at shelter: -access to medical or dental care -info and referral to other resources -use of our drop-in times for food -clothes/ laundry -case management. Other Ain Dah Yung programs include: Indian Child Welfare Advocacy and legal representation, transitional living for youth ages 16-21, chemical dependency prevention, family support programming and suicide prevention services.

*Programs:*

- Beverly A. Benjamin Youth Lodge
- Family Support Program
- Indian Child Welfare Legal Advocacy Project
- Oyate Nawajin
- The Our Children Program (Ninijanisag)

## **All Nations Indian Church**

Rev. Marlene Helgemo  
1515 E. 23rd St. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-724-4393/Fax: 612-721-7366

Worship Services: Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Women of All Nations group meets the first Sunday of each month, rotating between members homes. Bible study/Spiritual issues, community service, dinner served. In the summer months meeting are once a month.

*Programs:*

- All Nations Daycare Center
- Children's Prayer Lodge

## **All Saints Church**

Supply Preist: Rev. Elaine Barber  
3044 Longfellow Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-722-2342

Worship Services: Sundays at 11:00 am Sunday School starts at 11:00 am.

## **American Diabetes Association**

Director: Jenni Hargraves  
5100 Gamble Drive, Ste 394. - St.Louis Park, MN 55416  
Phone: 763-593-5333/Fax: 763-593-1520  
[www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org)

About 16 million Americans have diabetes, more than 15 million have type 2. Many Native Americans have type 2 diabetes and do not know it. It's a serious disease that can cause problems with hearing, eyes, kidneys, feet and gums The ADA's mission is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected.

## **American Indian Community Development Corporation**

Executive Director: Gordon Thayer  
2020 Bloomington Ave. Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-813-1610/Fax:612-813-1612  
[www.aicdc.org](http://www.aicdc.org)

The agency is dedicated to developing and providing culturally creative programs, support and educational services designed to strengthen American Indian communities by offering opportunities leading to a better quality of life and healthy Indian communities. The Housing Advocacy Program has referrals to available affordable housing. Case management is available to help develop a plan for getting into and keeping housing. No financial assistance is provided.

*Programs:*

- Anishinabe Wakiagun
- Detox Center
- Housing Advocacy and Support Services
- KOLA
- Nibiiwa Zibii (Many Rivers) Apartments
- On Eagles Wings
- Responsible Renters Training and Certification
- ONTrack Program

## **American Indian Families Project**

Contact: Justin Huenemann  
A-2308 Government Center  
300 S. 6<sup>th</sup> St. MC 238 - Minneapolis, MN 55487  
Phone: 612-596-7601/Fax: 612-348-7423  
[www.hennepin.us](http://www.hennepin.us) (keyword search AIFP)



The American Indian Families Project (AIFP), is a partnership between Hennepin County and the Indian community to improve the quality of life American Indian families experience.

### **American Indian Family Center**

Executive Director: Lavon Lee  
579 Wells St. Saint Paul, MN 55101  
Phone: 651-793-3803/Fax: 651-793-3809  
[www.aifc.net](http://www.aifc.net)

The purpose of the American Indian Family Center 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.

#### *Programs:*

- Father's Circle
- Mother's Circle
- Mental Health Services
- Our Children are Scared Program
- Community Doula Program
- Twin Cities Healthy Start Program
- Medicine Wheel Collaborative
- Women's Health Program
- Youth Programming
- First Nations Sports Initiative
- Enable Project
- Girls Best Initiative
- Multi-Generational Learning Project

### **American Indian Family & Children Services (AIFACS)**

Program Manager: Sally Higgins  
25 Empire Drive - Saint Paul, MN 55103  
Phone: 651-223-8526/Fax: 651-223-8529  
[www.aifacs.org](http://www.aifacs.org)

American Indian Family and Children Services believes in the right of American Indian children to grow up among their own people. We have a responsibility as a nation to take care of our children. As an organization and a community supporter, we strive to find temporary Care homes for Indian children.

### **American Indian Family Empowerment Program - Grotto Foundation**

Contact: Gabby Strong  
5323 Lakeland Ave. N., Ste. 100  
Minneapolis, MN 55429  
Phone: 763-277-3434/Fax: 763-277-3444  
[www.grottofoundation.org](http://www.grottofoundation.org)

To support and encourage American Indian families and individuals in the Twin Cities area to be of service to their community, connected to their culture and to have their own potential realized.

### **American Indian Magnet At Mounds Park All Nations K-6**

Principal: Brenda Peltier  
1075 E. 3rd St. - Saint Paul, MN 55106  
Phone: 651-778-3100/Fax: 651-293-5941  
[www.spps.org](http://www.spps.org)

Students, parents, teachers and administrators share responsibility for academic achievement of all students. Academic achievement develops as students are exposed to an Indigenous Peoples curriculum that utilizes a Medicine Wheel approach with its components. Through the use of higher order thinking skills, students examine the impact of historical events on various people and communities and relate them to contemporary issues. Staff work to empower students by increasing awareness and practice of learning styles. Teachers implement a learning style assessment in the fall to better address the various learning styles.

### **American Indian Neighborhood Development Corporation**

Executive Director: Theresa Carr  
1113 E. Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-870-7555/Fax: 612-870-0275  
[www.aindc.com](http://www.aindc.com)

American Indian Neighborhood Development Corporation seeks to empower American Indian People through all business development on Franklin Avenue.

### **American Indian OIC**

Executive Director: Lee Antell  
1845 East Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-341-3358/Fax: 612-341-3766  
[www.aioic.org](http://www.aioic.org)

American Indian OIC is an organization of generations learning together to promote education, employment and training to empower future generations. AIOIC builds partnerships that remove barriers to employment, education, and economic development. AIOIC is a place where people become trained, self-sufficient, learn the value of diverse cultures and gain self-esteem and confidence to compete in today's job market.

#### *Programs:*

- Adult Basic Education Program (ABE-GED)
- Minneapolis Employment & Training Program (METP)
- Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)
- School of Business and Office Technology



- School to Work Program-Alternative High School
- Workforce Investment Program

### **American Indian Policy Center**

President: John Poupart  
1463 Hewitt Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-644-1728/Fax: 651-644-0740  
[www.airpi.org](http://www.airpi.org)

American Indian Policy Center provides government leaders, policy makers and the public with accurate information about the political history of American Indian nations and the contemporary situation for American Indians. By providing knowledge and education, the Center hopes to foster better-informed and culturally sensitive responses to the challenges of American Indian life, forum reports and bibliographies available.

### **American Indian Services**

Executive Director: Joe BigBear  
2200 Park Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-813-1155/Fax: 612-813-1177

American Indian Services provides services primarily to chemically dependent American Indian adult men and women in transition from primary treatment. The program goal is to assist all clients in maintaining their recovery by offering, through the American Indian Services program, those concepts found in both American Indian cultural teaching/values and the clinical aspects of chemical dependency treatment/aftercare that have assisted other American Indians in their recovery. AA meeting on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. Sweat lodges weekly. Ceremonies first Saturday of the month

### **American Indian Student Cultural Center University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**

300 Washington Ave. S.E. Rm. 204  
Minneapolis, MN 55455  
Phone: 612-624-0243  
<http://studentgroups.tc.umn.edu/studentgroups>

The mission of AISCC is to promote cultural diversity develop leadership in American Indian students of the U of M, assisting building understanding of American Indian people, issues, history and culture by bringing in native scholars and hosting events open to the entire university campus.

### **American Indian Studies Department**

Chair: Pat Albers  
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities  
72 Pleasant St. S.E. Rm. 2 Scott Hall  
Minneapolis, MN 55455  
Phone: 612-624-1338/Fax: 612-626-7904  
<http://cla.umn.edu/amerind/index.html>

Established in June of 1969, the Department of American Indian Studies is the oldest such program in the country with departmental status. 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.

### **American Indians in Unity**

Director: Georgia Lickness  
2380 Wycliff St. - Saint Paul, MN 55114  
Phone: 651-209-2987/Fax: 651-209-2988  
[www.aiiu.org](http://www.aiiu.org)

American Indians in Unity is focused on building unity though housing. We envision a community where American Indian people live in stable, safe, affordable and culturally-meaningful housing. We believe that stable housing is the basis for success in many other areas-empowering our people to live healthy and happy lives with a sense of community and pride

### **AmerINDIAN Architecture**

President: Dennis Sun Rhodes  
475 Cleveland Ave. N #100 - Saint Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-644-1586/Fax: 651-644-7172  
[www.amerindian.com](http://www.amerindian.com)

AmerINDIAN Architecture is a 51% American Indian owned architectural firm established in 1992 by Dennis Sun Rhodes, an enrolled member of the Northern Arapaho Tribe. Dennis has assisted American Indian clients in the design of buildings that have received international recognition for over 25 years.

### **Anishinabe Academy**

Principal: Mike Huerth  
2225 East Lake Street - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-668-0880/Fax: 612-668-0890

Dedicated to serving American Indians students in grades K through 8 and their families through educational success and with emphasize on American Indian culture.

### **Anoka Hennepin Indian Education**

Contact: Barry Scanlan  
11299 Hanson Blvd. NW - Coon Rapids, MN 55433  
Phone: 763-506-1152/Fax: 763-506-1003  
[www.anoka.k12.mn.us/education/dept/dept.php](http://www.anoka.k12.mn.us/education/dept/dept.php)

It is the purpose of the Anoka-Hennepin Indian Education Parent Advisory committee and Indian Education Program to encourage and inspire academic achievement, social



and emotional development, and cultural awareness of our American Indian Students. To serve as a resource to review and recommend accurate curriculum. To promote cultural diversity between community, staff and students.

### **Augsburg College - American Indian Student Services**

Director: Cindy Peterson  
 Augsburg College Campus Box 122  
 2211 Riverside Ave – Minneapolis, MN 55454  
 Phone: 612-330-1144/Fax: 612-330-1695  
[www.augsburg.edu/aissp/](http://www.augsburg.edu/aissp/)

## **B**

### **Baby's Space**

Director: Debra Lund  
 Little Earth NELC  
 2438 18th Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-729-5171/Fax: 612-729-5228  
<http://education.umn.edu/icd/HarrisCenter/Babys-Space.htm>

Provides integrated infant and toddler childcare with family support for Native American families.

### **Bear Hawk Indian Store**

Owner: Pat Rosebear  
 2245 E. 38th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
 Phone: 612-728-7258/Fax: 612-728-7259

Handmade gifts by local artist, Beadwork, jewelry, native music, bead supplies, posters, T-shirts, greeting cards, etc.

### **Birch Bark Books**

Owner: Louise Erdrich  
 2115 West 21st St. - Minneapolis, MN 55405  
 Phone: 612-374-4023/Fax: 612-374-4090  
[www.birchbarkbooks.com](http://www.birchbarkbooks.com)

Books, herbs and Native Art.

### **Black Bear Crossing & Pavilion Place**

Owner: David Glass  
 1360 N. Lexington Parkway - Saint Paul, MN 55103  
 Phone: 651-488-4920/Fax: 651-488-4915  
[www.blackbearcrossings.com](http://www.blackbearcrossings.com)

A coffee house and community circle. Relax amidst the gardens on our deck. Enjoy peaceful moments inside with

native art and music. Children are always welcome. We have a cubs' corner just for them... and a quiet library for serious thinkers. For any event, any time of the year, there's no place like Pavilion Place. Pavilion Place is a multifaceted facility for all types of gatherings. Includes audio/video options, food, meeting equipment and professional service.

### **Bois Forte Reservation**

Chairman: Kevin Leecy  
 P.O. Box 16 - Nett Lake, MN 55772  
 Phone: 218-757-3261/Fax: 218-757-3607  
[www.boisforte.com](http://www.boisforte.com)

### **Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)**

Minneapolis Branch  
 Contact: Larry Morrin  
 1 Federal Drive - Minneapolis, MN 55111  
 Phone: 612-713-4400/Fax: 612-713-4401

The Bureau of Indian Affairs provides service to over 1.2 million Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut residents in 31 states either directly, or through contract, grant, and compact agreements with tribes.

## **C**

### **Catholic Charities Branch I**

Contact: Arlene Chosa  
 1308 East Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-871-9443/Fax: 612-870-4228

#### *Food shelf hours:*

- Wednesday and Friday 8-12,
- Thursday 8-11
- Santurday 9-1

### **Catholic Charities Branch III**

Director: Jim Dualder  
 740 East 17<sup>th</sup> Street. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-375-9372 /Fax: 612-375-9105

Open every day 7-2:30

#### *Programs:*

- Job Services
- Breakfast and Lunch



### **Center School**

Executive Director: Joe Rice  
2421 Bloomington Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-721-1655/Fax: 612-721-5346  
[www.centerschool.org](http://www.centerschool.org)

Center School is a Phillip's neighborhood alternative Junior and Senior High School for at-risk American Indian youth. The goal is to provide quality culturally-based education in an interdisciplinary learning environment for junior high students and to enhance the post-secondary readiness and employability of the senior high students.

#### *Programs:*

- Chemical Health
- Family Education
- Legal Assistance for Women (LAW)
- Professional and Community Education

### **Chrysalis-Resources Supporting Women and Their Families**

Director: Cindy Kelley  
4432 Chicago Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-871-0118/Fax: 612-870-2403  
[www.chrysaliswomen.org](http://www.chrysaliswomen.org)

Rule 25 Chemical Dependency Assessments, Phone counseling, Information and Referral for women who need assistance with relationships, self-esteem, abuse, etc.

### **Circle of Indigenous Nations University of Minnesota -Twin Cities**

Contact: Percilla Garrigan  
106 Pleasant St. SE, Frasier Hall Ste 125  
Minneapolis, MN 55455  
Phone: 612-624-2555/Fax: 612-626-7840  
[www.umn.edu](http://www.umn.edu)

The American Indian Learning Resource Center provides family-centered services that ensure quality student experiences through utilization of Indigenous thoughts and values. The center promotes academic excellence through personal contact, advocacy, technology, and program development. The center fosters an Indigenous environment that allows students to feel a sense of community on campus. The center contributes to the strengthening and the development of all students through culturally specific services.

### **Circle Newspaper, The**

Managing Editor: Catherine Whipple  
1508 E. Franklin Ave - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-722-3686/Fax: 612-722-3773  
[www.thecirclenews.org](http://www.thecirclenews.org)

The Circle is a free monthly publication dedicated to presenting reports, news and art from a Native American perspective to its readers, while granting an equal opportunity to community voices.

### **City, Inc., The**

Director: Sidney Martinez  
1545 E. Lake St. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-724-3689/Fax: 612-724-0692

The City, Inc. is a multi-service agency providing a variety of educational, family, and social services to troubled youth and their families on the South Side (Phillips and Powderhorn Park neighborhoods) and in the North Side neighborhoods of Minneapolis. Programs include alternative junior and senior high schools in both the southside and northside (on-site, developmental day care centers at both locations), a family therapy program (including specific component for American Indians), residential and community based adolescent alternative treatment programs, outreach and court advocacy for youth involved in or at-risk of involvement with gangs. Available is a drop-in center and recreational services.

### **City of Minneapolis - Information**

350 S. 5th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 311  
[www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

For City of Minneapolis residents needing information and services.

### **City of Minneapolis - American Indian Community Advocate**

Contact: Bill Carter  
350 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Rm 239 - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 612-673-3028/Fax: 612-673-3737  
[www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

Two-way advocacy between the local American Indian community and City leadership, helps Indians navigate City departments/services, information and referral, disseminates events calendar during May – Minnesota's American Indian month.

### **City of Minneapolis - Minneapolis Housing Service**

Contact: Diana Buckanaga  
250 S. 4th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 612-673-3003/Fax: 612-673-3737  
[www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us)

A City of Minneapolis agency which provides rental rights information, advice on tenant landlord problems, and court advocacy to residential property owners and tenant.



### Community Initiatives for Children

Executive Director: Estelene Bell  
2314 Elliot Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-871-0662/Fax: 612-870-0456

Assist families in job search, food, shelter, clothing, furniture and medical assistance.

#### Programs:

- Chemical Health
- Family Education
- Legal Assistance for Women (LAW)
- Professional and Community Education  
HIPPPY Program (Home Instruction Program Preschool Youngsters)
- Family Support Program
- Reading is Fundamental Program

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## D

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### Dakota Language Table

Contact: Neil McKay  
1515 E. 23rd St. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-624-6808/Fax: 612-626-7904  
<http://cla.umn.edu/amerind/index.html>

This is available for all students, staff, faculty and community members to share in the learning of the Dakota Language. The "D" dialect is emphasized at the table. This is potluck, bring whatever you can to share and bring a friend. Every Monday night at All Nations Indian Church. Join us in learning the Dakota language, share food and laugh with friends. free and open to the public.

### Department of Indian Work

Director: Sheila White Eagle  
1671 Summit Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55105  
Phone: 651-644-2768/Fax: 651-646-6866  
[www.spacc.org](http://www.spacc.org)

Youth enrichment and parent education, emergency assistance with food and clothing (9:00 to 1:00 P.M. Mon-Fri.), cultural awareness on advocacy for American Indian issues. Food Shelf

### Division of Indian Work

Executive Director: Noya Woodrich  
1001 E. Lake St.- Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-721-8687/Fax: 612-722-8669  
[www.gmcc.org/diw](http://www.gmcc.org/diw)

The Division of Indian Work aids and empowers individuals and families through five social service programs that respond to the needs, experiences, and expectations of the American Indian community.

#### Programs:

- Healing Spirit Program
- Horizon's Unlimited Food Shelf
- Family Violence Program
- Teen Indian Parent's Program
- Youth Leadership Development Program

### Domestic Abuse Project

Executive Director: Carol Arthur  
204 W. Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-874-7063/Fax: 612-874-8445  
[www.domesticabuseproject.org](http://www.domesticabuseproject.org)

24-hour Domestic Violence Crisis Line – 1-866-223-1111  
24-hour line for men – 612-379-6367 (the Men's Line)

#### Programs:

- Advocacy
- Evaluation and Research
- Therapy Program
- Training and Community Education

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### Eden II's Women's Program

Director: Kelley Heifort  
1025 Portland Ave, S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-338-2158/Fax: 612-338-3653  
[www.rseden.org](http://www.rseden.org)

Women's Residential and Non-residential programs, Eden Family program and Inhalant abuse program. Contact Family Counselors Jeff Olson and Melissa Anderson Family program works with community works with family and couples to provide better family relationships.

### Elders Lodge

Director: Susan Bowstring-Lane  
1500 Magnolia Ave. E. - Saint Paul, MN 55106  
Phone: 651-778-2501/Fax: 651-778-2509

The Elders' Lodge is residential housing for American Indian elders 62 years of age or older. All residents will have an interest and respect for American Indian culture. Residents may be able to live independently, or semi-independently requiring services provided to the frail elderly, or require personal services (except nursing) to live under supervision while at risk of needing nursing care.



**Energy Assistance - Community Action of Minneapolis**

Director: Bill Davis  
401- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55401  
Phone: 612-348-8858/Fax: 612-335-5975  
[www.campis.org](http://www.campis.org)

Energy Assistance helps low-income households in Minneapolis with payment of heating bills. Both homeowners and renters may qualify. The Energy Assistance Program also refers high energy consuming households to services that can help them reduce energy use through weatherization and changes in energy use.

**Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota - Department of Indian Work**

Contact: Rev. Steve Shaitberger  
1730 Clifton Place - Minneapolis, MN 55403  
Phone: 612-870-3312/Fax: 612-871-0552  
[www.episcopalmn.org](http://www.episcopalmn.org)

Minnesota Committee on Indian Work is the program department of the Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota which coordinates, gives direction and vision to the work of the Diocese of Minnesota with Indian people. The board of directors is made up of representatives from each of the northern Minnesota Ojibwe churches, urban Indian missions and the mission churches in the Dakota (Sioux) communities.

*Programs:*

- Advocacy
- Leadership Development
- The Chemical Dependency Task Force
- The Indian Convocation
- Youth Ministry
- Worship

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**Fairview Chemical Dependency Treatment Services**

Director: Jeff Powers  
2450 Riverside Ave.- Minneapolis, MN 55454  
Phone:612-672-2222/Fax: 612-672-6572  
[www.fairview.org](http://www.fairview.org)

Referrals can be made to Forest Lake-Residential Facility, 651-982-2069, has cultural support services that include specific cultural programming that address the needs of Native American and African American clients including - culturally relevant patient education -ongoing community-based support - client advocacy

- culture support groups. Financial arrangements: Most health insurance plans will cover all or part of treatment. Referrals can be made by family members or professionals from medical, school, court or social agencies. Primary treatment for clients age 12 to 18, and extended services for clients ages 12 to 24.

**Fathers' Resource Center**

Director: Arnie Engleby  
430 Oak Grove Street, Ste B-5 - Minneapolis, MN 55403  
Phone: 612-874-1509/Fax: 612-874-0221  
[www.resourcesforfathers.org](http://www.resourcesforfathers.org)

Fathers' support groups, parenting classes, family law clinics, transitional housing, father to father, shared parenting, educational workshops, speakers' bureau, dealing with anger. The Fathers' Resource Center serves 5 locations, Minneapolis (430 Oak Grove-Phone Number 612-874-1509), St. Paul (1030 University Avenue West, Suite 160, North St. Paul Phone Number 651-290-4785), Crystal (7323 58th Avenue North Ste. 113 Phone. # 763-783-4938), Blaine (1201 89th Avenue N.E., Ste. 305 - Phone. #763-783-4938), Hopkins sites vary, 763-783-4938.

**First Nations Orphan Association**

Director: Sandy White Hawk  
1280 Westminster St. #206 - St. Paul, MN 55101  
Phone: 651-442-4872  
[www.geocities.com/fnoac](http://www.geocities.com/fnoac)

The First Nations Orphan Association (FNOA) offers advocacy to all adoptees and families in accordance with our traditional spiritual heritage and the policies of the Indian Child Welfare Act. FNOA's activities serve to educate social service providers in the cultural traditions and values of Indian families and their communities with the goal of bridging and enhancing services.

**Fond du Lac Reservation**

Chairman: Peter Defoe  
1720 Big Lake Rd.- Cloquet, MN 55720  
Phone: 218-879-4593/Fax: 218-879-4146  
[www.fdlrez.com](http://www.fdlrez.com)

**Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College-Urban Outreach Program**

Director: Janice Denny  
1113 East Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-871-4209/Fax: 612-871-4718  
[www.fdlccc.edu](http://www.fdlccc.edu)

Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College Minnesota's first Tribal College, offers a wide range of college courses through the Urban Outreach Program. In special partnership with Augsburg College in south Minneapolis,



FDLTCC has designed a program to meet the college needs of American Indian learners. The Urban Outreach Program works with students with a wide range of interest, achievement, and ability levels, including students who may have diagnosed learning disabilities.

*Programs:*

- American Indian Student Services

### **Fridley Indian Education**

Contact: Karen Monette  
6100 West Moore Lake - Fridley, MN 55432  
Phone: 763-502-5434/Fax: 763-502-5440

To service American Indian children and their families through cultural enrichment, educational success and other numerous activities. Serving the Tri-district of Fridley, Spring Lake Park and Columbia Heights.

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### **Grand Portage Reservation**

Chairman: Norman Deschampe  
P.O. Box 428 – Grand Portage, MN 55605  
Phone: 218-475-2277/Fax: 218-475-2284  
[www.grandportage.com](http://www.grandportage.com)

### **Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery**

Executive Director: Douglas Carter  
4544 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55419  
Phone: 612-821-9282/Fax: 763-591-0700  
[www.crisisnursery.org](http://www.crisisnursery.org)

Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery is a free residential crisis Nursery providing on-site residential shelter for children newborn through age six, who are at immediate risk of being abused and/or neglected. The Nursery provides a 24-hour crisis hotline, short-term crisis counseling, 721 hours of on-site care for children, 11-hours of emergency, day care for children, parent education, support, and referrals to long-term resources families need to prevent future crisis.

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### **Heart of the Earth Center for American Indian Education/Oh Day Aki**

Director: Joel Pourier  
1209 4th St. SE - Minneapolis, MN 55414  
Phone: 612-331-8862/Fax: 612-331-1747  
[www.americanindianeducation.org](http://www.americanindianeducation.org)

The Mission of Heart of the Earth: To reach out and build partnerships with individual students, their families, peers and community. To provide alternative educational opportunities that build confidence, self-esteem, personal responsibility and effective lifelong learning habits. To provide culturally relevant education.

### **Hennepin County Medical Center Information**

701 Park Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 612-873-3000  
[www.hcmc.org](http://www.hcmc.org)

### **Housing Link**

President: Collen G. O'Brien  
600 18th Ave. N. - Minneapolis, MN 55411  
Phone: 612-522-2500/Fax: 612-521-1577  
[www.housinglink.org](http://www.housinglink.org)

The HousingLink is an independent nonprofit organization created to act as a clearinghouse for affordable rental housing information throughout the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area. HousingLink seeks to maximize access to information and services that equip low-to-moderate income renters to obtain or keep housing they can afford.



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## **Indian Burial Assistance Project**

Director: Rev. Dr. Claudia Windal  
5349 Park Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55417  
Phone: 612-990-6343 / Fax: 612-823-1650  
[www.charityadvantage.com/indianburialassistanceproject](http://www.charityadvantage.com/indianburialassistanceproject)

Our goal is to work with Native families in securing dignified, affordable, and culturally appropriate burial needs and services: caskets/urns, grave sites, grave markers, hearse/transportation of remains.

## **Indian Child Welfare Act. Human Services and Public Health Department**

525 Portland Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 612-348-7600 / Fax: 612-348-3481  
[www.hennepin.us](http://www.hennepin.us)

The purpose of the Department of Children Family and Adult Services Indian Child Welfare Section is to ensure compliance with State and Federal statutes through respectful collaborations with communities and Tribal Nations; in order to protect and to provide culturally responsive services to indigenous children and their families.

## **Indian Child Welfare Law Center**

Executive Director: Shannon Smith  
1113 E. Franklin Ave. Ste. 600 - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-879-9165/Fax: 612-879-0323

The Indian Child Welfare Law Center is a nonprofit organization that works to preserve, strengthen, and reunite Indian families. We provide culturally sensitive legal services to Indian families, whose children are at risk of being removed from the family and placed in foster care or who have already been removed from the home. We attempt to prevent the removal of children from families at high risk of being placed in foster care. We work to reunite families whose Indian children are out of the home. We facilitate adoption by Indian families. We seek stable Indian homes for Indian children who need permanence.

## **Indian Family Services and Indian Elderly & Disabled Advocacy Program**

Executive Director: Norby Blake  
3244 34th Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55406  
Phone: 612-724-6498/Fax: 612-724-6487

### *Programs:*

- Case Management.  
One to one, support groups, follow-up.
- Information & Referral.  
Home visits to help assess needs, fuel assistance, food shelf assistance, housing assistance.
- Advocacy & Support.  
Welfare, social services, Social Security assistance, veteran's assistance.
- Social & Recreational Activities.  
Recreational/cultural activities on a monthly basis.

## **Indian Health Board of Minneapolis (IHB)**

Executive Director: Dr. Terry Hart  
1315 E. 24th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-721-9800/Fax: 612-721-7870  
[www.indianhealthboard.com](http://www.indianhealthboard.com)

Indian Health Board offers complete primary health care services to the Indian community of the Twin Cities Metropolitan area. Transportation: Rides are available for IHB appointments or referrals. Boundaries: Minneapolis city limits.

### *Programs:*

- Counseling and Support Clinic
- Dental Clinic
- Diabetic Luncheon and Clinic
- Transportation Services
- WIC
- Medical Clinic

## **Indian Ministry, Office of**

Director: Father James Notebaart  
3045 Park Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-824-7606/Fax: 612-824-7616

Indian Ministry is an office of the Catholic Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis that provides building usage to Indian non-profit, and non political groups to hold meeting and other programs.

### *Programs:*

- AA Meetings
- Cancer Survivors Support Group
- Cultural Craft Classes
- Grief Support
- MIIGEWYON "I am going home" Burial Service
- Summer Family Camp
- Drum and Dance
- Tutoring
- Memorial of the Dead
- Annual Memorial of Crime Victims
- Pastoral Visits



### Indian Neighborhood Club

Director: Greg LaFontaine  
1805 Portland Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-871-7412/Fax: 612-871-2020

Indian Neighborhood Club is a lodging house for American Indian male alcoholic/drug abusers and provides a chemical free environment for Indian males who are chemically dependent and homeless. The Club was founded by a group of Indian people who were recovering alcoholics searching for a support group for their sobriety and personal growth in a culturally sensitive environment.

### Indigenous Peoples Task Force

Executive Director: Sharon Day  
1433 E. Franklin Ave., Ste 18A. Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-870-1723/Fax: 612-870-9532  
[www.indigenouspeoplesf.org](http://www.indigenouspeoplesf.org)

The purpose of the Indigenous Peoples Task Force is to enhance the health and education of native peoples. Services include: Youth and Adult prevention services, Housing to people living with HIV. Native Arts High School (grades 7-12) tobacco prevention, training and technical assistance. Indian AIDS Hotline: 1-800-283-AIDS National AIDS Hotline: 1-800-342-AIDS

#### Programs:

- Ganawenima (to take care of) Case Management • Program
- Native American Women's Intervention and Prevention Services Network
- Ogitchidag Peer Education
- Two Spirit Risk Reduction Program
- Return to First Medicines
- IVDU Outreach
- Women's Peer Education
- Maynidoowahdak Odena (Housing Program)

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### Juel Fairbanks Chemical Dependency Services

Executive Director: Janice Lindstrom  
806 N. Albert - Saint Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-644-6204/Fax: 651-644-1126

Provides comprehensive alcohol and drug treatment to American Indians and other underserved populations. Serves homeless participants through a shelter and chemical dependency program. The American Indian youth program serves children and youth by providing problem-solving and conflict resolution group activities and assistance in planning and organizing after school homework.

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### Kateri Residence

Director: Christina White  
2408 4th Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-871-0477/Fax: 612-879-8125

For more than 20 years Kateri has served chemically dependent American Indian women. In our supportive residential environment, we have worked to create a place for healing and growth for the 14 women in our program. Clients come as referrals from treatment programs, hospitals, prisons, reservations, and from other public and non-profit community agencies.

#### Programs:

- AA Meetings
- Advocacy
- Cultural Traditions
- Independent Living Skills Classes
- Information and Referral
- Morning Meditation
- Parent/Child Reunification Program
- Recreational Activities
- Talking Circle
- Weekend Children's Activities



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## **Larry Leventhal & Associates**

Attorney: Larry Leventhal  
319 Ramsey St. – Saint Paul, MN 55102  
Phone: 612-333-5747/Fax: 612-344-1126

Indian land claim cases, personal injury, domestic, Indian Child Welfare Act and civil cases.

## **Learning Circle, The**

Director: Agnes Robinson  
543 Front Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55117  
Phone: 651-767-8555/Fax: 651-767-8595  
[www.spacc.org](http://www.spacc.org)

This is family time with other parents and their young children, from birth through age 5. School-age program for children ages 6-10 years.

## **Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe**

Chairman: George GoggleEye Jr.  
115 Sixth St. NW, Ste. E - Cass Lake, MN 56633  
Phone: 218-335-8200/Fax: 218-335-8309  
[www.llojibwe.com](http://www.llojibwe.com)

## **Leech Lake Twin Cities Office**

Director: Avis Poupart  
1305 E. 24th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-729-0554/Fax: 612-729-6035

Information and referrals, application for emergency assistance (guidelines), Tribal enrollment numbers, elder advocacy for Leech Lake members.

## **Legal Rights Center, Inc.**

Executive Director: Gordon Stewart  
1611 Park Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-337-0030/Fax: 612-337-0797  
[www.legalrightscenter.org](http://www.legalrightscenter.org)

The Legal Rights Center provides free criminal defense for low income people, people of color, American Indians, juveniles, and adults in Hennepin County. We also offer social referral services and restorative justice opportunities. LRC attorneys, community workers, and mediators are committed to protecting their clients' constitutional rights while assisting with the personal and social issues that often lead to the need for legal services. The geographical focus of LRC's work is

Hennepin County. We have walk-in office hours every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## **LifeSkills Center for Leadership, The**

Executive Director: Brandon Johnson  
1508 E. Franklin Ave. Ste. 200 - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-871-3883/Fax: 612-871-2282  
[www.lifeskills-center.org](http://www.lifeskills-center.org)

Trainings design to improve adult leadership skills, including communication, team building, goal setting and decision making abilities. Weekend trainings and trainings based on individual or organizational needs. Vision: To Provide the most Impact, Innovative and Effective LifeSkills and Leadership Training. Setting the Standard for Excellence.

## **Little Earth of United Tribes**

Executive Director: Bill Ziegler  
2501 Cedar Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-721-2174/Fax: 612-729-5947  
[www.littleearth.org](http://www.littleearth.org)

Little Earth of United Tribes is the largest urban Indian housing community in the country. Little Earth is entirely a Section 8 property, all rents are based on your income. The project is operated with preference for American Indian, currently the waiting list is from three months to three years. Call 612-729-9361 and ask for an application.

### *Organizations:*

- Little Earth Domestic Abuse Project
- Little Earth Residents Association
- Neighborhood Early Learning Center

## **Lower Sioux Community**

Chairperson: Sheldon Wolfchild  
39527 Res Hwy. 1, P.O. Box 308 - Morton, MN 56270  
Phone: 507-697-6185/Fax: 507-697-6185




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## **Metropolitan State University. Multi-cultural Support Services. Native American Liaison**

Contact: Sharon Romano  
1501 Hennepin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55403  
Phone: 612-659-7306/Fax: 612-659-7171  
[www.metrostate.edu](http://www.metrostate.edu)

The Multicultural Affairs Center provides a range of services which include working closely with faculty and academic advisers, monitoring and tracking academic progress, advocating on behalf of students, publishing quarterly newsletters, providing scholarship info, offering leadership opportunities through student organizations sponsoring social and cultural activities and providing support and referral service to other offices like financial aid, internships and career services.

## **MIGIZI Communications**

President: Elaine Salinas  
3123 E. Lake St. - Minneapolis, MN 55406  
Phone: 612-721-6631/Fax: 612-721-3936  
[www.migizi.org](http://www.migizi.org)

MIGIZI communication's mission is to provide information to the public; educate elementary, secondary, and adult students using the tools of communication; and commit resources to address problems in partnership with the Indian community. Migizi serves elementary, high school, and adult students in a variety of educational and leadership programs employing media tools and communications technology. To access Migizi Communications, select extension 200 on the automated phone message.

### *Programs:*

- National Native Information Center (NNIC)
- Partnership to Strengthen American Indian Families
- Native Academy
- Running Wolf Fitness Center
- First Person Productions

## **Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe**

Chief Executive: Melanie Benjamin  
43408 Oodena Dr.- Onamia, MN 56359  
Phone: 320-532-4181/Fax: 320-532-7505  
[www.millelacsojibwe.org](http://www.millelacsojibwe.org)

## **Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Urban Office**

Director: Barb Benjamin-Robertson  
1433 E. Franklin Ave., Ste. 7C- Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-872-1424/Fax: 612-872-1257  
[www.millelacsojibwe.org](http://www.millelacsojibwe.org)

Serving as a conduit for Mille Lacs B and also offers Information and referral, Tribal I.D.'s, hunting and fishing licenses, job postings, application forms including emergency assistance, housing, loan program, Small Business Development Program, enrollment, etc. Anungoog Nandone (Search for the Stars), is an incentive program for urban Band youth in grades kindergarten through 12.

## **Mille Lacs Urban Workforce Center**

Director: Randy Dorr  
1433 E. Franklin Ave., Ste. 25 - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-746-4800/Fax: 612-870-3631

Serving enrolled members of The Minnesota Chippewa Tribes.

### *Programs:*

- Cash Assistance including Medical and Food Support
- Employment Services and Support
- Emergency Assistance
- Referrals to other resources

## **Minneapolis American Indian Center**

Executive Director: Frances Fairbanks  
1530 E. Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-879-1700/Fax: 612-879-1795  
[www.maicnet.org](http://www.maicnet.org)

The Minneapolis American Indian Center is one of the oldest urban Indian Centers in the country. MAIC preserves and supports cultural traditions through the arts, youth and intergenerational programs.

### *Programs:*

- AIRRNET
- Chemical Dependency Program
- Ginew/Golden Eagles Program
- Healthy Nations Program
- Indian Child Welfare Program (ICWA)
- Senior Citizens Programs
- Senior Congregate Dining
- Two Rivers Gallery
- Workforce Investment Act Program

## **Minneapolis Community Education**

Director: Jack Tamble  
1006 W. Lake St. - Minneapolis, MN 55408  
Phone: 612-668-3939/Fax: 612-668-3945  
[www.mpls.k12.mn.us/commed/](http://www.mpls.k12.mn.us/commed/)



Provides community wide family and other education programs and classes:

*Programs:*

- Adult Education Programs
- Disability Access Services-Project Enhance
- Early Childhood Family Education
- Family Resource Centers (this program includes a Native American Parenting Class)
- Older Adult Program
- Volunteer Services
- Youth Community Education Programs
- Minneapolis Kids Daycare Program

They are available to Minneapolis residents, age qualification vary. Minimum class fees are charged with sliding fee scales and scholarships available. Pre-registration required for most programs.

**Minneapolis Community and Technical College (MCTC). American Indian Support Office**

Director: Renee Beaulieu-Banks  
 1501 Hennepin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-659-6743/Fax: 612-659-6710  
[www.minneapolis.edu](http://www.minneapolis.edu)

Multi-cultural Student Services- Help to apply for Tribal scholarships, apply for financial aid, academic advising, UNITE (United Nations of Indian Tribes for Education) student organization.

**Minneapolis Indian Education. Minneapolis Public School District**

Director: Tim Brown  
 807 Broadway Ave. NE. - Minneapolis, MN 55413  
 Phone: 612-668-0610/Fax: 612-668-0615  
[www.mpls.k12.mn.us](http://www.mpls.k12.mn.us)

Indian education programs are designed to improve student achievement and reduce drop-out rates among American Indian youth attending Minneapolis Public Schools.

**Minnesota American Indian Chamber of Commerce**

Executive Director: Karri Plowman  
 1508 E. Franklin Ave. Ste.100-Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone:612-870-4533/Fax: 612-870-1060  
[www.maicc.org](http://www.maicc.org)

The Minnesota American Indian chamber of commerce provides services for Chamber members in education, networking, and technical assistance. Some of the services the MAICC provides is a bi-monthly Hot Sheet that gives important events and announcements to members, a Bid Sheet for contractors that provides a summary of current projects and other bidding

information, a Resource Directory that lists members businesses and brief descriptions of their services, and MAICC Business Builders luncheons that present marketing and networking opportunities as well as a forum to introduce topics of particular interest to members and participants. The MAICC supports and promotes Native American professionalism and excellence in business.

**Minnesota Crime Victims Reparations Board**

Director: Marie Bibus  
 445 Minnesota St., Ste 2300 - Saint Paul, MN 55101  
 Phone: 651-282-6256/Fax: 651-296-5787  
[www.ojp.state.mn.us](http://www.ojp.state.mn.us)

The MCVRB helps crime victims with some of their financial losses. Eligibility: A victim who has been physically or emotionally injured as a result of a crime or in an effort to prevent a crime or apprehend a suspect. A person who is paying for services for a victim. A family member or estate of a victim who was killed during a crime. A witness to a violent crime or a person who discovered a body are entitled to limited coverage. Expenses paid: funeral expenses, medical cost, mental health, lost wages, loss of support for dependents, some child care. There are rate limits and caps on most of the above expenses. Victims or their family members must complete and submit a claim form to the Board.

**Minnesota Department of Health - Minority and Multicultural Health**

Coordinator: Valerie A. Larsen  
 625 Robert Avenue North - St. Paul, MN 55164-0882  
 Phone: 651-201-5817/Fax:651-215-5801  
[www.health.state.mn.us/ommh](http://www.health.state.mn.us/ommh)

While public health in Minnesota has the responsibility to address all populations and identify and address all health disparities, the Office of Minority and Multicultural Health (OMMH) exists to focus attention on the disparities in health status among Minnesota's populations of color and American Indians.

**Minnesota Department of Human Services**

Commisioner: Kevin Goodno  
 444 Lafayette Rd. N. - Saint Paul, MN 55155  
 Phone: 651-296-6117  
[www.dhs.state.mn.us](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us)

Refer to local county agency, the Department of Human Services develops and administers policy for the 87 County service agencies.

*Programs:*

- Chemical Health
- Child Support Enforcement Division



### Minnesota Indian Affairs Council

Director: Joseph Day  
3801 Bemiji Ave N., Ste. 5 - Bemiji, MN 56601  
Phone: 218-755-3825/Fax: 218-755-3739  
[www.mniac.org](http://www.mniac.org)

The Indian Affairs Council is the official liaison between state and tribal governments, and advisor to the state on urban Indian issues and concerns. Created by the Legislature in 1963, the mission of the Indian Affairs Council as mandated in statute is broad in scope but focused in its total support of tribal government operations and the continued identification to issues and concerns that impact the American Indian population throughout the state. The Indian Affairs Council is governed by the elected tribal chair of the eleven reservations throughout the state, and two at large members representing Indians who live in Minnesota but are enrolled in other states. The Indian Affairs Council also has an Urban Indian Advisory Council

### Minnesota Indian Women's Resource Center

Executive Director: Suzanne Koepplinger  
2300 15th Ave. S.- Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-728-2000/Fax: 612-728-2039  
[www.miwrc.org](http://www.miwrc.org)

Established in 1984, MIWRC works at all levels-individual, family, community and social service. We develop programs that bring about positive changes for Native American women. Mission statement: To assist American Indian Women so they can enjoy a better quality of life for themselves and their families.

#### Programs:

- Access Program
- Cherish the Children Learning Center
- Family Services
- Healing Journey
- Legal Advocacy
- Sexual Abuse Survivor's Program "Songidee · Biimadaziwin"
- The Housing Program
- Training and Library Program – MIWRC
- CD Assesment and Support

### Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition

Executive Director: Nicole Matthews  
1619 Dayton Avenue, Ste 303 - St. Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-646-4800/Fax: 651-646-4798

MIWSAC is one of 14 new Tribal Coalitions around the country formed to address domestic and sexual violence in American Indian Communities and is the only sexual assault coalition in the State of Minnesota that is specifically American Indian women.

### Mission Lodge

Director: Linda Peter  
3409 E. Medicine Lake Blvd. - Plymouth, MN 55441  
Phone: 763-559-4249/Fax: 763-559-4621

The Board and Lodge program takes referrals from Hennepin County Chemical Health. Eligibility is as follows: must be chronically chemical dependent, homeless and have gone through three chemical dependent treatment facilities. The Board and Lodge program offers an 88 bed co-ed facility. The program is open ended and offer people a chance to make a physical and mental health recovery after detox.

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### National Indian Council on Aging, Inc.

Director: Pamela Bettin  
2380 Wycliff Ste. 200 - Saint Paul, MN 55114  
Phone: 651-659-0202/Fax: 651-659-0168  
[www.nicoa.org](http://www.nicoa.org)

55 Or Older with a limited income. Desire to train 20-25 Hours per week. Interested in paid community service. Many types of training jobs are available: computers, clerical, receptionist, greeter, cook, dishwasher, mailroom attendant, child care, janitorial, etc.

### Native American Advocate. Hennepin County Medical Center

Contact: Lolita Spotted Thunder-Moreno  
701 Park Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55415  
Phone: 612-873-3367/Fax: 612-904-4291  
[www.hcmc.org](http://www.hcmc.org)

The primary responsibility of the Native Advocate Social Worker Assistant is to assist American Indian patients admitted to HMC by providing advocacy services in the areas of health, social, cultural and spiritual needs. The NASWA secondarily works with all patients to overcome obstacles that could interfere with their recovery by providing support, counsel, information and referral.

### Native American Community Clinic

Executive Director: Dr. Lydia Caros  
1213 E. Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-872-8086/Fax: 612-872-8547

NACC's Mission: To promote wellness and regular Health maintenance in Native American families; to decrease the health disparities of Native Americans in the Metropolitan



area; to assure access to quality health care regardless of ability to pay. Services include: Full Service Family Practice, Diabetes Care, Prenatal Care, Child & Teen Check-ups, Cancer Screening, Elder Care, Teen Clinic, Diabetes Breakfast (Monthly), ADHD Care, and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome evaluations/On-going care.

#### **Native Americans in Philanthropy**

Executive Director: Joy Persall  
2801 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. S., Ste. 132D - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
Phone: 612-724-8798/Fax: 612-879-0613  
[www.nativephilanthropy.org](http://www.nativephilanthropy.org)

Native Americans in Philanthropy seeks to engage Native and non-Native peoples in understanding and advancing the role of philanthropy through practices that support Native traditional values for current and future generations.

#### **Native American Special Project**

Director: Richard Mason  
1030 University Ave. W. - Saint Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-290-4710/Fax: 651-290-4785  
<http://hubbs.spps.org>

Located in the Center for Lifelong Learning the program assists American Indian adults who need help in obtaining their G.E.D. certificate and who need help in basic skills and/or brush-up. The Indian program is currently integrated within the St. Paul Public Schools Adult Education program.

#### *Programs:*

- ABE/GED/ADP
- Ira Hayes Employment and Training Services
- Job Search and Referral Assistance

#### **Northland Native American Products**

Owner: Kenneth Bellanger  
1113 Frankling Ave. E. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 62-872-0390/Fax: 12-872-0537  
[www.northlandvisions.com](http://www.northlandvisions.com)

Northland Native American Products offer Native American food and craft products, packaged in natural wood products and containers. Paintings, sculpture, art reflective of indigenous peoples.

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#### **Ojibwe Language Table. American Indian OIC**

Contact: Arlene Larson  
1845 E. Franklin Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-341-3358/Fax: 612-341-3766  
[www.ojibwemowin.com](http://www.ojibwemowin.com)

Ojibwe Language Society Ojibwemowin Zagaswe'iding. The Ojibwe Language Table meets weekly at the American Indian O.I.C. located at 1845 East Franklin Avenue. (corner of East Franklin and Cedar Avenue South) in south Minneapolis. Meetings are held every Monday evening from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Parking Space is available. Dinner is POTLUCK so bring what you can and everyone is welcome! Our Motto is we will teach for food. Ambe Daga, Anishinabemodaa For more information please call 612-624-5738. The Ojibwe Language Society is a student organization at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities campus.

#### **Osseo Area Indian Education**

Contact: Priscilla Buffalohead  
11200 93rd Avenue North - Maple Grove, MN 55369  
Phone: 763-391-7102

To empower American Indian students. To enhance educational potential through special, unique and culturally related educational programming. Areas served include Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, Maple Grove, Osseo, Hassan, and Plymouth.

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#### **Pacer Center, Inc**

Director: Paula Goldberg  
8161 Normandale Blvd. - Bloomington, MN 55437  
Phone: 952-838-9000/Fax: 952-838-0199  
[www.pacer.org](http://www.pacer.org)

The mission of PACER Center 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.



### Path

Director: George Hendrickson  
 2324 University Ave. W. Ste. 120 - Saint Paul, MN 55114  
 Phone: 651-646-3221/Fax: 651-646-3363  
[www.pathinc.org](http://www.pathinc.org)

Native American families for foster care, option to be supervised by Native American social workers. PATH provides training and educational opportunities, skill development and diversity programming.

### Peta Wakan Tipi

Director: Sally Auger  
 459 N. Wheeler St. - Saint Paul, MN 55104  
 Phone: 651-646-8167/Fax: 651-646-1665  
[www.petawakantipi.org](http://www.petawakantipi.org)

Transitional housing and support services for homeless and recovering American Indians. Also programs for the broader Indian community, as well.

#### Programs:

- Mother Earth Lodge
- Sacred Fire Lodge
- Dream of Wild Health

### Powderhorn Phillips Wellness & Cultural Health Practices Center

Executive Director: Atum Azzahir  
 1527 E. Lake St. - Minneapolis, MN 55407  
 Phone: 612-721-5745/Fax: 612-724-5461  
[www.ppcwc.org](http://www.ppcwc.org)

To unleash the power of citizens to heal themselves and to build community.

### Prairie Island Mdewakanton Community

President: Audrey Bennett  
 5636 Sturgeon Lake Rd. - Welch, MN 55089  
 Phone: 800-554-5473/Fax: 651-385-2980  
[www.prairieisland.org](http://www.prairieisland.org)

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### Red Lake Band of Chippewa

Chairman: Floyd "Buck" Jourdain  
 PO Box 550 - Red Lake, MN 56671  
 Phone: 218-679-3341/Fax: 218-679-3378  
[www.redlakenation.org](http://www.redlakenation.org)

### Red Lake Urban Office

Liasion Officer: Jessica Rock  
 1433 E. Franklin Ave. Ste.13A-Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-874-9588/Fax: 612-874-9594

The services provided are ICWA Advocacy, (enrolled or eligible for enrollment). Service area: Southern half of the state of Minnesota. Primary area: Hennepin County. Transportation to Red Lake for courts cases, information and referral, help with making copies and sending faxes, help members get their Per Capital funds and various other services, as our abilities permit. Notary Public on staff.

### Reuben Lindh Housing Services

Director: David Kloker  
 2438 18th Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
 Phone: 612-722-0762/Fax: 612-722-0787  
[www.reubenlindh.org](http://www.reubenlindh.org)

The Reuben Lindh Housing Resource Center assists families in locating safe, affordable housing in neighborhoods throughout the Twin Cities. The staff believes that every family should have adequate housing, live in a neighborhood that they can be proud of, and provide their children with a secure, stable living environment. Our goal is to help families reunify and reduce the risk of future separation. We hope that once families find adequate housing they will be able to establish a rental history and eventually be homeowners if they desire.

### Robbinsdale Indian Education Program

Director: Mimi Rice  
 3730 Toledo Ave. - Robbinsdale, MN 55422  
 Phone: 763-504-8087/Fax: 763-504-8970

Works with American Indian students in advocacy program, students in special education, cultural program, family base drum & dance class, family based Ojibwe language class and a family based Dakota language class. Indian Education Parent Committee. Robbinsdale area schools.



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### **St. Paul American Indian Education Programs**

Executive Director: Kathy Denman-Wilkie  
1021 Bandana Blvd. E. - Saint Paul, MN 55108  
Phone: 651-293-5191/Fax: 651-293-5193  
[www.indianeducation.spps.org](http://www.indianeducation.spps.org)

This program provides (1) cultural enrichment, (2) social service, (3) academic services, (4) chemical prevention, (5) post secondary planning program, (6) Johnson O' Malley, (7) Early Childhood Family Education K-12

### **St. Paul Area Council of Churches**

Director: Reverend Grant Abott  
1671 Summit Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55105  
Phone: 651-646-8805/Fax: 651-646-6866  
[www.spacc.org](http://www.spacc.org)

The Saint Paul Area Council of Churches (SPACC) is a 95-year-old nonprofit organization made up of 168 member congregations from 22 denominations in the East Metro area of the Twin Cities. Our major programs are Congregations in Community, Criminal Justice Care Services, Department of Indian Work, Freedom School, Project Home and Project SPIRIT. SPACC's mission is to build life-giving, just, and anti-racist community for all people in the Saint Paul area.

### **Shakopee-Mdewakanton Sioux Community**

Chairman: Stanley Crooks  
2330 Sioux Trail NW - Prior Lake, MN 55372  
Phone: 952-445-8900/Fax: 952-445-8906  
[www.shakopeedakota.org](http://www.shakopeedakota.org)

### **State of Minnesota Office of Ombudsman for Families**

Contact: Dawn Blanchard  
1450 Energy Park Dr. Ste. 106 - Saint Paul, MN 55108  
Phone: 651-643-2523/Fax: 651-643-2539

The Native American community ombudsman works on issues of out-of-home placement, foster care, and the Indian Child Welfare Act. Other Ombudsman: Ann Hill-African American Families, Bauz L. Nengchu- Asian Pacific Families, Muriel Gubasta – Hispanic Families

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### **Tribal Law and Policy Institute**

Staff attorney: Sarah Deer  
1619 Dayton Avenue, Ste 305 - St. Paul, MN 55104  
Phone: 651-644-1125/Fax: 651-644-1157

TLPI is organized to design and deliver education, research, training and technical assistance programs; which promote the improvement of justice in Indian Country and the health, wellbeing and culture of Native peoples.

### **The Two Feathers Fund of The Saint Paul Foundation**

President: Carleen Rhodes  
55 Fifth St. E. Ste. 600 - Saint Paul, MN 55101  
Phone: 651-224-5463/Fax: 651-224-8123  
[www.saintpaulfoundation.org](http://www.saintpaulfoundation.org)

The Two Feathers Fund is specifically focused on the involvement of the American Indian community. Its goal is to provide a culturally sensitive, community response philanthropic vehicle for addressing the needs within the Indian communities of Minnesota by supporting artistic, educational, social and cultural development activities. Involvement of Indian people in all phases of the philanthropic process is fundamental to the success of the Two Feathers Fund.

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### **United Way 211. First Call for Help - Metro Region**

Director: Katy Jirik  
404 S. 8th St. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 211/Fax: 612-340-7629  
[www.211unitedway.org](http://www.211unitedway.org)

United Way First Call for Help offers 24 hour information and referral; utilizing over 2,400 community agencies listed in its computerized database which is updated on a monthly basis. Call First Call For Help for Holiday programs in November and December.



### Upper Midwest American Indian Center

Executive Director: Gertrude Buckanaga  
1035 W. Broadway Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55411  
Phone: 612-522-4436/Fax: 612-522-8855

Upper Midwest American Indian Center is a multi-service non-profit agency serving the community for over 30 years. Current programs and services: new Moms Group, Foster Care, Indian Child Welfare, Children's Literacy & Tutoring, Family Preservation, Elders, Mental health, Alternative Secondary Education, Adult basic education, American Indian Culture & Arts, Economic Development Opportunities.

#### Programs:

- A-Bi-Noo-Jii-Yans Early Head Start Program
- After School Tutoring Program
- Alternative High School Video Project
- American Indian Adoption Program
- American Indian Family Preservation Program
- Foster Care "Come Back Home" Program
- Mental Health Support Program

### Upper Sioux Community

Chairperson: Kevin Jensvold  
5738 Hwy 67 East, P.O. Box 147  
Granite Falls, MN 56241  
Phone: 320-564-2360/Fax: 320-564-3264  
[www.uppersiouxcommunity.org](http://www.uppersiouxcommunity.org)

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### Vets Center

Director: Stan Olson  
2480 University Ave. - Saint Paul, MN 55114  
Phone: 651-644-4022/Fax: 612-725-2234

Counseling for Military Readjustment Issues and Chemical Dependency Assessments, Individual & Group Counseling, AA Groups.

## W

### Waite House

Director: Francisco Segovia  
2529 13th Ave. S. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-721-1681/Fax: 612-721-2752  
[www.puc-mn.org](http://www.puc-mn.org)

Family Advocate services: short-term crisis intervention, Father's group, Young Girls Group, Senior Citizen meeting, long term plans for goal achievements, cultural celebrations, family recreation, youth recreation activities. Nutrition: Free hot lunch (Monday-Friday) 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Last three weeks of the month. Food shelf: 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. (first week of the month) Waite House is a branch of Pillsbury Neighborhood Services. AA meetings on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

#### Programs:

- Basic Needs program
- Community Café
- Computer classes
- ESL/Computer classes
- Food Shelf
- The Youth Program
- After school activities
- Employment Services
- Citizenship Classes
- Family Loan Program
- Civic Engagement Volunteer

### Way To Grow

Director: Carolyn Smallwood  
1120 Oliver Ave. N. - Minneapolis, MN 55411  
Phone: 612-874-4740/Fax: 612-874-4757  
[www.mplswayatogrow.org](http://www.mplswayatogrow.org)

#### Programs:

- Play, Learn and Grow Group
- Pre-natal Educational Classes
- Home Visiting Services
- Teen Parent Project

### White Earth Reservation

Chairperson: Erma Vizenor  
P.O. Box 418 - White Earth, MN 56591  
Phone: 218-983-3285/Fax: 218-983-3285  
[www.whiteearth.com](http://www.whiteearth.com)



### **White Earth Tribal Council**

Urban Liaison Officer: Chris Warren  
1113 East Franklin Avenue, Ste. 206  
Minneapolis, MN 5504  
Phone: 612-872-8388/Fax: 612-872-4388

### **Wisdom Steps, Minnesota**

Board on Aging  
Contact: Jacqueline Dionne  
540 Cedar Street, P.O. Box 64976 - St. Paul, MN 55164  
Phone: 651-431-2608/Fax: 651-431-7415  
[www.wisdomsteps.com](http://www.wisdomsteps.com)

### **Women of Nations**

Executive Director: Norma Renville  
73 Leech St. - Saint Paul, MN 55102  
Phone: 651-251-1603/Fax: 651-222-1207  
[www.women-of-nations.org](http://www.women-of-nations.org)

Women of Nations, is a non-profit organization that formed in 1982, to provide culturally specific services for American Indian battered women and children. It's mission is to provide supportive services, including crisis intervention, advocacy and shelter for battered American Indian women and other women, their children and when appropriate, other family members, as well as provide education to the public on domestic abuse issues. Women of Nations service areas in the seven county metro area.

*Programs:*

- Community Advocacy Program
- Eagles Nest Shelter
- Youth and Children Program

### **Woodland Indian Crafts**

Owner: Charles Stately  
1530 E. Franklin Ave. - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-879-1700/Fax: 612-879-1795  
[www.woodlandindiancrafts.com](http://www.woodlandindiancrafts.com)

Handmade gifts by local artist, Beadwork, jewelry, native music, bead supplies, posters, T-shirts, greeting cards, etc. Open Saturdays during Christmas holiday season (Nov. and Dec.).

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### **YouthLink**

Executive Director: Dr. Heather Huseby  
41 North 12th Street - Minneapolis, MN 55404  
Phone: 612-252-1200/Fax: 612-252-1201  
[www.youthlinkmn.org](http://www.youthlinkmn.org)

Youth and Family Case Management Case managers develop individualized program plans with each youth, assessing his/her needs, strengths and skills. Outreach visits occur in home, neighborhood and school. Most referrals are from schools, court diversion and county workers. Truancy Intervention MY Academy Alternative School On-site school for 9th and 10th grade students. Please call to gain information or to set up an appointment.

*Programs:*

- Project Offstreets

## About the American Indian Families Project

To further understand the opportunities and challenges facing American Indian families, two years ago the American Indian Families Project (AIFP) embarked on a journey of listening to and gathering information about the American Indian community in Hennepin County. The formative work completed during Phase I of the project wove together stories and data to illuminate American Indian place and presence in Hennepin County. The resulting collection of data, *A Look at American Indian Families in Hennepin County*, includes five reports:

- Part One: Hennepin County American Indian Demographics
- Part Two: An In-depth Look at the Community
- Part Three: Investing in American Indian Families
- Part Four: Voices of American Indian Families
- Part Five: Reclaiming the Spirit

In addition to the report series, community gatherings, discussion groups and individual interviews were conducted to summon the voice and vision of American Indian community members. The overall result was a historic collection of information providing a unique guide to improving the well-being of American Indian families.

A Red Ribbon Committee was formed to determine a plan for using the information obtained during Phase I of the project to continue the journey during Phase II of the AIFP. The issue of community development rose to the forefront during the committee's discussions as a void and opportunity in the American Indian community, leading to the concept of creating the Native American Community Development Institute (NACDI).



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