

Potential Community Partners and Locations for Parent Outreach Activities in Diverse Communities

This list is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather to provide examples of community organizations that may collaborate with you in your effort to reach parents of young children from diverse communities who have concerns about their child’s development. While this list targets specific Twin Cities metro-area organizations, many of the organizations may also provide information and referral to local resources in Greater Minnesota. The category headings in the list serve as a checklist of the types of organizations and locations you may want to consider in your local community outreach.

Community Centers

- Sabathani Community Center, Minneapolis
- Coyle Community Center, Minneapolis
- Minneapolis American Indian Center
- Minnesota Indian Women’s Resource Center, Minneapolis
- North Commons Recreation Center, Minneapolis
- Jewish Community Centers of Minneapolis and St. Paul
- Slavik Community Center, St. Paul
- Pillsbury United Community Centers, Minneapolis
- MACC Alliance of Connected Communities, Minneapolis
- Woman’s Resource Centers

Housing Communities

- Little Earth Resident Association, Minneapolis

Recreation

- YMCA’s
- Park and Recreation Programs

Organizations Providing Support to Immigrants and Refugees:

- Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services, St. Paul
- International Institute of Minnesota, St. Paul
- Minnesota Council of Churches Refugee Services, Minneapolis
- Lutheran Social Services Refugee and Employment Services, St. Paul
- Jewish Community Center St Paul Resettlement Services
- Jewish Family and Children’s Services of Minneapolis Resettlement Services
- The Center for Victims of Torture, Minneapolis

Culturally-specific Agencies:

Hispanic/Latino:

- CLUES, St. Paul
- Centro, St. Paul
- Casa de Esperanza, St. Paul
- The Neighborhood House, St. Paul;
- The Mexican Consulate, Minneapolis
- The Ecuadorian Consulate, Minneapolis
- La Oportunidad, Minneapolis

Somali:

- Confederation of Somali Community in Minnesota, Minneapolis

African American:

- St. Paul and Minneapolis Urban Leagues, St. Paul and Minneapolis NAACP
- Hallie Brown/Martin Luther King Center, St. Paul

Native American:

- American Indian Family and Children’s Services (foster care), St. Paul
- American Indian Opportunities

Industrialization Center, Minneapolis

Hmong/Asian:

Hmong American Partnership, St. Paul
Center for Asian and Pacific Islanders, Minneapolis
Multicultural: Pillsbury United Communities,
Minneapolis

Russian:

Jewish Community Center St Paul Resettlement Services
Jewish Family and Children's Services of Minneapolis
Resettlement Services

Social Service Agencies and Organizations

County Social Workers
Homeless Shelters
Harriet Tubman Center, Minneapolis
Naomi Family Center, St. Paul
Dorothy Day Center, St. Paul
Model Cities, Family Development Center, St. Paul
Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women
Women of Color and Native Women's Network
Food Shelves

Child Care

Greater Minneapolis Day Care Association
Child Care Resource and Referral for Twin Cities,
St. Paul
Center for Inclusive Child Care & Project Exceptional,
St. Paul
Neighborhood Child Care Centers and Family Providers

Family and Parenting Centers

Frogtown Family Resource Center: St. Paul Public
Schools
Teen Indian Parent Program (TIPP): Division of Indian
Work, Minneapolis
The Young Fathers' Program: East Side Neighborhood
Services, Inc., Minneapolis
African American Father's Program, Minneapolis
Teen and Young Parent Programs

Education

"Welcome Centers" for Saint Paul and Minneapolis
Public Schools
School Social Workers
Early Childhood Family Education Program Staff
Early Childhood Special Education Program Staff

HeadStart and Early Head Start
Charter Schools with a Culture-Specific Focus

Hispanic:

Academia Cesar Chavez (St Paul)
La Aurora
La Escuelita
El Colegio

St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Program

Places of Worship

Hispanic

Sagrado Corazon, St. Paul
El Santo Rosario, Minneapolis
Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Paul
Incarnation Church, Minneapolis

African American

North Minneapolis Christian Fellowship (Multicultural
Church; One-Stop Family Support Center)
Local Ministerial Associations

Employment Agencies

Temp Agencies
Workforce Centers

Public Libraries

Minneapolis Public Library: New Americans Section;
Library Links (Hmong, Somali, Hispanic cultural
liaisons)
St. Paul Public Library: Spanish, Somali and Hmong
Resources

Medical/Health

Community Clinics

Community-University Health Care Center (CUHCC)
Clinic, Minneapolis
Wellness Center for Somali Newcomers, Minneapolis
Washburn Child Guidance Center, Minneapolis
Native American Community Clinic, Minneapolis
Indian Health Board, Minneapolis
North Point Health and Wellness Center, Minneapolis
Well Baby and Child Clinics

Hospitals:

Children's Hospitals of Minneapolis and St. Paul
Gillette Children's Hospital, St. Paul
Regions Hospital, St. Paul
Fairview Hospitals, Minneapolis

Hennepin County Medical Center; Multicultural
Services: Cultural Experts and Interpreters, Minneapolis

Pediatric Association

Minnesota Department of Health

County Public Health Nurses

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) Offices

Neighborhood Pharmacies

Businesses

Somali Malls

Spanish Malls

Neighborhood Shopkeepers

Laundromats

Beauty Salons

Mall of America

Toddler Tuesday

The Park at the Mall of America

Kid's Quest Child Care Center

Minnesota American Indian Chamber of Commerce,
Minneapolis

Media

Community Newspapers

Culturally-specific Newspapers

Radio Stations

Public Service Announcements (PSA)

Somali station: Minneapolis and Rochester

KFAI "Fresh Air" multi-language program

Private Hmong radio stations

TV

PSA's

Local Cable Access

Minneapolis Cable Network

Spanish and Somali Stations

Audio version of outreach materials as downloadable files
on web sites

Public transit buses/light rail PSA Advertisement Panels

Ads distributed through minority-owned media, neighborhood newspapers, school papers, or informal print circulars, depending on the neighborhood, can be very effective ways of integrating into the community. Asking for table space at Cinco de Mayo celebrations, powwows, or other cultural events or wellness fairs can also be useful.

Additional Resources

Directory of Minnesota Organizations Serving Diverse Populations, Minnesota Department of Human Services, Children and Family Services, 2005