



IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

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Office on Status of African-Americans

This is a compilation of information and announcements that impact the Black community. It is intended to disseminate information to service providers and other stakeholders that serve and work with Black Iowans.

Upcoming Events and Programs

Iowa Olmstead Consumer Task Force

Seeking Applications for Membership on the Olmstead Consumer Taskforce

The Iowa Olmstead Consumer Task Force (OCTF) is seeking individuals to apply to be a Member of the Task Force.

Applications must be received by **4:30 pm** on **FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2019**.

HOW TO APPLY:

There are two ways to apply:

1. An application form in Word is attached to this e-mail. You can download this document to your computer desktop, open it, fill it out, save it, and then e-mail it as an attachment to Anne Crotty, OCTF Support Staff, at anne-crotty@uiowa.edu.
2. You may also apply online at https://uiowa.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_by0lfVo4eNEXkIT

ABOUT THE TASKFORCE:

Our Vision:

A Life in the Community for Everyone

The Olmstead Consumer Taskforce is a statewide advocacy group charged by Executive Order to monitor Iowa's response to the 1999 Supreme Court's *Olmstead* Decision.

Our activities support the full inclusion of people with disabilities in housing, employment, transportation, healthcare, and other areas. We work with consumers and families, state agencies, providers, and others to ensure that legislation, changes in administrative rule, and other public policies and programs promote the full inclusion of individuals with disabilities in *all* aspects of life in the community.

The Taskforce meets six times a year from 10am-3pm at the Pleasant Hill Public Library. All meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.

For more information on the OCTF, visit our website at <http://olmsteadrealchoicesia.org/>.

WHAT IS “OLMSTEAD”?

The *Olmstead* Supreme Court Decision (1999)

In *Olmstead v L.C.*, two women with mental disabilities brought suit against the State of Georgia. They were living in a state mental hospital even though professionals on staff had affirmed that they were capable of living in a community setting with supports. The Supreme Court found that unnecessary segregation of individuals in institutions is discrimination under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Learn more about the Court's decision

at: <http://www.accessiblesociety.org/topics/ada/olmsteadoverview.htm>.

The implications of the *Olmstead* decision for people with disabilities are monumental. States have been slowly changing their systems of long term supports and services to comply with *Olmstead*, by expanding home and community-based services, and shrinking the size of, or even closing, residential facilities such as nursing homes and intermediate care facilities. States are also working to promote more options for integrated employment instead of depending upon sheltered workshops, since employment services, too, must comply with *Olmstead* principles.

If you have questions, please contact Dawn Francis, OCTF Chair, at dawn@iowasilc.org.

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PRESENTS

**JUNE
13TH**

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENTS.
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS 05/13/2019.

AFRICAN YOUTH SUMMIT

*TO EQUIP AFRICAN
STUDENTS FOR
SUCCESS THROUGH
MENTORSHIP
AND LEADERSHIP
TRAINING.
*SCHOLARSHIP
AWARDS TO
DESERVING
STUDENTS

TIME: 7:30AM -5:00PM
VENUE: CORTEVA AGRISCIENCE
7300 NW 62ND AVE., JOHNSTON, IA 50131

CONTACT: ONEVOICEDSM@GMAIL.COM

SPONSOR:



Scan barcode to register

Willkie House



2019 WILLKIE HOUSE SUMMER PROGRAM

The Willkie House Summer Program works in cooperation with local schools and organizations to provide the needed academic instruction and assistance in a structured, individualized and fun manner.

Our Mission

The mission of the Willkie House, Inc., is to develop character and esteem in young people through the promotion of opportunities in four focus areas: academic, social skill building, health and recreation.

For More Information Contact:
 Ph: (515) 243-7817 / 900 17th St., Des Moines
jdouglas@willkiehouse.org
 or come and pick up an application at the front desk!

WE HAVE...



Two field trips a week

Pool, skating, movies, college visits and more!

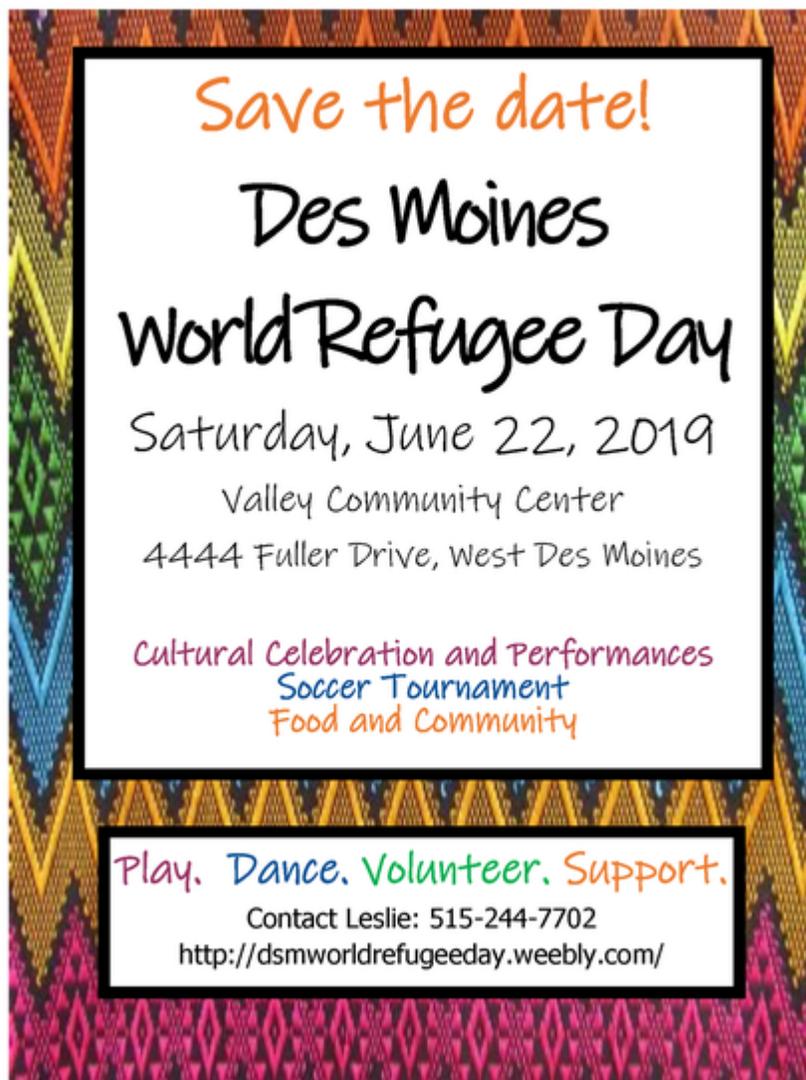
Free meals and snacks each day



Indoor and outdoor activities

June 5 – August 16
 Hours: 7:30 A.M.- 6:00 P.M.
 Elementary and Middle School Ages
 \$50 per week; Scholarships Available

World Refugee Day



After School Arts Program

After School Arts Program's **11th Annual**
ASAP Summer Arts Camp
Mon–Thurs, July 15–18, 2019

Explore the arts—painting, dance, music, & more—and Iowans who have made a difference!

**IOWA
CHANGE
MAKERS**

FREE!
for kids of all ages

Evelyn K. Davis Park 15th & Forest, DsM

12:30 p.m. — Registration
1:00 p.m. — Studio 1
2:00 p.m. — Studio 2

Now recruiting volunteers, ages 14–104. Sign up for 1–4 days.
monica@asap-dsm.org • 515-528-4577



ASAP Summer Arts Camp is sponsored by the City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department/Evelyn K. Davis Park and St. John's Lutheran Church. ASAP is supported by Bravo Greater Des Moines, Variety—the Children's Charity, the Principal, Wells Fargo, and many individual and corporate donors.

www.asap-dsm.org



Drake University Summer Youth Symposium

Drake University's School of Education: 2019 Summer Symposium Application for Participants

Description of the Symposium

You are invited to participate in a unique opportunity for Des Moines students and apply for a summer symposium sponsored by Nationwide Insurance Company and Drake University School of Education. Sessions will focus on the skills and habits you need to be successful when taking advanced courses in high school. In addition, participants will learn how to combat some of the unique challenges that students of color face when preparing for college. There is no cost for attendance. Thanks to Nationwide Des Moines area employees for providing all meals, conference materials, and expenses related to this important event.

Symposium Topics:

- **Building a Foundation for Success: How to Embrace Strengths and Learn from Weaknesses**
- **Your Learning Preferences: How to Choose Courses and a Career**
- **Organization and Motivation: Fine-tuning Time-management and Decision Making to Improve Personal Responsibility**
- **How Memory Works in and Outside of Class: How to Improve Note-taking and Study Skills to Perform Better on Exams**
- **Academic and Career Planning: Connecting to Your Future**
- **Overcoming Stereotype Threat**

Full participation in the program (attendance at every session is mandatory) will result in you being awarded a \$100 stipend for your commitment and dedication to the symposium.

Please email this application or mail to Jim Veriengia before May 30th (5:30:19) at vincent.veriengia@drake.edu or mail to: Drake University, 2507 University Avenue, C-S 206, Des Moines, IA 50311

Contact Information

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Current School and grade:	
Parent/Guardian's Name:	
Parent/Guardian's Email & Phone:	

*Attendance at every session is a mandatory

The symposium will be held in Drake's Collier-Scripps building at the following times. The building address 2702 Forest Avenue, Des Moines

Monday, August 5th 8:00 am - 12:30 pm	Wednesday, August 7th 8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Tuesday, August 6th 8:00 am - 12:30 pm	Thursday, August 8th 8:00 am - 12:30 pm
	Friday, August 9th 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

Special Skills and Qualifications

Describe the most important skills that successful students have when taking advanced courses; which of these skills do you practice? Which of these would you like to strengthen? How could this symposium help meet your educational goals?
Write answers on the back side

Pyramid Theatre



Employment Opportunities

Evelyn K. Davis Center

CAREER FAIR

AT THE EVELYN K. DAVIS CENTER

Find a job. Get a career.

WEDNESDAY
MAY 29
10AM-1PM

801 UNIVERSITY AVE. DES MOINES, IA 50314

- Meet face-to-face with employers
- Various positions
- Full-time jobs
- Part-time jobs

SCAN CODE
TO REGISTER



Featured Employers:



And many more!

Come Prepared!

Participants are required to have:

- Resume
- Professional Dress

Need professional business attire?

Need a resume?

Call 515-697-7700 before May 22th to register for resume and professional attire assistance!



ISU Extension and Outreach - Blackhawk County

Conservation Internship

Internship designed to provide professional development opportunities to young adults interested in pursuing careers in environmental stewardship and community resiliency. Daily activities include park maintenance, trail maintenance, working with your hands, working on fence lines, raking/trimming/mowing, etc. All job activities are designed to develop work skills, interpersonal skills, and help the intern develop a career pathway. Minimum of five hours per week will be designated for career pathway and career advancement preparation. Interns will work in a variety of weather conditions including extreme temperatures, high winds, intense sunshine, and rain. Interns will be visible to the public, including young children, during work hours and are expected to be professional. Position is grant funded.

Start Date: Mid-end of May 2019
End Date: Mid-end of August 2019

Qualifications:
18 years old - 24 years old
Ability to pass a criminal background check
Hourly Wage \$10-\$12

Potential interns are asked to apply in person at IowaWORKS in Waterloo with a general application

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[American Red Cross](#)

[Associated Milk Producers AMPI](#)

[Burke Corporation](#)

[Cedar Rapids Community School District](#)

[City of Ames](#)

[City of Des Moines](#)

[City of Dubuque](#)

[City of Iowa City](#)

[Denison Job Corps](#)

[Des Moines Water Works](#)

[Fifth Judicial District](#)

[G4S Jobs](#)

[Greater Des Moines Partnership](#)

[Hawkeye Community College](#)

[Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce](#) *new*

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Website: <https://humanrights.iowa.gov/cas/saa>