



# IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

October 23, 2019

## 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.*

## ICSAA

Iowa Commission on the Status of African-Americans

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### Upcoming events:

October 25, 2019 | [Lunch and Listen](#) | 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Des Moines

October 25, 2019 | [Quarterly Commission meeting](#) | 1:30 - 3:30 PM | Des Moines

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## Upcoming Events and Programs

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**Census 2020**

# Census 2020: What You Need to Know - Now

**Siouxland - Countdown to April 2020  
Kick-off Event with US Census  
"Everyone Counts"**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019**

**10:00 AM - NOON**

(DOORS OPEN AT 9:30AM; COFFEE & ROLLS PROVIDED)  
**MARY J. TREGLIA COMMUNITY HOUSE  
900 JENNINGS ST, SIOUX CITY**

**Open to the public & hosted in partnership:**

- Sioux City Complete Count Committee
- Iowa Commissions of African Americans, Asian & Pacific Islanders, Latino Affairs and Native Americans
- Community Action Agency of Siouxland
- South Sioux City Complete Count Committee
- Mary J. Treglia Community House
- ONE Siouxland
- United Way of Siouxland
- US Census Bureau

## WHY THE CENSUS MATTERS:

- Everyone living in the US is counted every 10 years
- Census = federal funds for local community health, education & family programs
- It's easy to do. Respond online, by paper or phone
- Local government uses census data to decide where to build schools, libraries and parks

Survey available in 13 languages



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**Men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc  
(Zeta Kappa Lambda Chapter)  
&  
Ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc  
(Iota Zeta Omega Chapter)**



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Drake UNIVERSITY College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences




**DIABETES** SEPTEMBER 9, 2019  
12:30PM - 3:00PM  
**AWARENESS SEMINAR**

**WANT TO KNOW MORE?**

**Date:** Saturday, November 9, 2019  
**Time:** 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m

**Location:**  
**Evelyn K. Davis Center**  
1171 7th St  
Des Moines, Iowa 50314

**Come hear answers to the questions:**

- "What is diabetes?"
- "What is pre-diabetes?"
- "How does one get diabetes?"
- "How can diabetes be treated?"

**Awareness matters!! Diabetes affects African-Americans at 2x the rate of non-Hispanic white adults!**

**Resources and information available onsite:**

- FREE - Diabetes Testing
- FREE - Endocrinologist Referrals
- FREE - Healthy Eating Habits



*Presented in partnership with:*

*Drake University Pharmacy School, MercyOne Medical Center, and Iowa Diabetes & Endocrinology Center*

**Iowa's Veterans**

# Ken Akey Memorial Book & Brew Drive



**Who?** **YOU!** Operation Barnabas & Iowa Veterans need your help!

- What?**
- **Coffee & Tea**
  - **Books** (all topics, new/gently used)
  - **Snacks** (individually packaged)
  - **Puzzle Books**
  - **DVDs**
  - **Music CDs**
  - **Puzzles**
  - **Books on CD**
  - **Sweat Shirts & Pants** (new)
  - **Lounge Pants** (new)
- Note: Only brand new clothing items will be accepted.*

**\*\*All donations benefit Veterans Hospital\*\***

- Where?**
- **Drop at Participating Local Churches.**  
Visit [IowaMilitarySupport.org](http://IowaMilitarySupport.org) for locations.
  - **Drop Donations at Camp Dodge – Iowa Gold Star Museum**  
Saturday, November 9, between 10 AM - 2 PM.
  - **Mail monetary donations to:**  
Operation Barnabas, 405 NW Sturbridge, Ankeny, IA 50023

**When?** Now through Veteran's Day, **Monday, November 11, 2019.**

### Why are we honoring Ken Akey?

Ken was a Coast Guard Veteran with a true love for his brothers and sisters in arms. When he passed in 2016, Operation Barnabas of Des Moines (OBDM) was tasked with using a portion of Ken's estate to help support Veterans in need. OBDM has taken this assignment to heart, using Ken's gift to support Christmas Presents for Patriots, a donation to the Puppy Jake Foundation, and by supporting the Des Moines Veterans Hospital. We are proud to continue Ken's mission of supporting Iowa Veterans.

## Investing In My Future (IIMF)

### IIMF Upcoming High School Activities

IIMF have a number of upcoming workshops for October and November. Please register using the links below!

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| <p><b>6. Event: Time Management</b><br/> <b>Date:</b> Monday, October 21, 2019 (<b>Registration at 4:30pm</b>)<br/> <b>Location:</b> Evelyn K. Davis Center: 1171 7<sup>th</sup> Street ( <b>NEW LOCATION</b>)<br/> <b>Time:</b> 5:00pm- 6:00pm<br/> <b>Register at:</b> <a href="https://www.tfaforms.com/4760557">https://www.tfaforms.com/4760557</a></p>                 |
| <p><b>7. Event: Resume Writing</b><br/> <b>Date:</b> Saturday, October 26, 2019 (<b>Registration at 9:30am</b>)<br/> <b>Location:</b> TBD<br/> <b>Time:</b> 10:00am- 12:00pm<br/> <b>Register at:</b> <a href="https://www.tfaforms.com/4760558">https://www.tfaforms.com/4760558</a></p>  |
| <p><b>9. Event: How to Select the Right College</b><br/> <b>Date:</b> Monday, November 4, 2019 (<b>Registration at 4:30pm</b>)<br/> <b>Location:</b> Evelyn K. Davis Center: 1171 7<sup>th</sup> Street ( <b>NEW LOCATION</b>)<br/> <b>Time:</b> 5:00pm- 6:00pm<br/> <b>Register at:</b> <a href="https://www.tfaforms.com/4760560">https://www.tfaforms.com/4760560</a></p> |

## Waterloo Iowa Civil Rights Awards

Friday November 15, 2019 in partnership with Friends of Iowa Civil Rights we will be hosting the second annual civil rights award event at Van. G, Miller Adult Learning Center. We will be giving awards to Cedar Valley volunteers that helped promote and market the Iowa Civil Rights Trail in Black Hawk County this past spring / summer. I also plan on educating the public about the 60th Anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr and wife Coretta Scott first visit to Waterloo and the state of Iowa.. After the presentation a small group will take a tour of Downtown Waterloo's Civil war and civil rights historic places with our first stop at VETERANS MEMORIAL HALL and a few stops at sites the King family visited in 1959 CEDAR FALLS/WATERLOO. Below I attached a flier inviting everyone that would like to attend. this special event.

Charles Pearson  
President/CEO Pearson Consulting LLC  
Iowa Civil Rights Trail Project Coordinator

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>  
10 A.M.-2P.M.  
VAN G. MILLER ADULT LEARNING CENTER  
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY HALL  
DOWNTOWN WATERLOO  
120 JEFFERSON STREET, WATERLOO, IA 50701

2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL  
IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS AWARDS

BLACK HAWK COUNTY IOWA AND THE CEDAR VALLEY IS THE CRADLE OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND LABOR HISTORY IN IOWA. THE CITIES OF WATERLOO, AND CEDAR FALLS HAVE A NUMBER OF LISTED PROPERTIES ON THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL REGISTER ASSOCIATED WITH CIVIL WAR, CIVIL RIGHTS AND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.. IOWANS STATEWIDE ARE BEING ASKED TO JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS AWARDS FOR THIS YEAR'S VOLUNTEERS AND TO HELP RECOGNIZE AND PAY TRIBUTE TO DR. KING AND WIFE CORETTA SCOTT KING 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF VISITING IOWA. FOLLOWING THE AWARDS CEREMONY SOME OF YOU WILL JOIN US FOR THE IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS TRAIL: RIVER LOOP CIVIL WAR TO CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY TOUR WITH CHARLES PEARSON.

THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSOR  
FRIENDS OF IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:

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IOWA CIVIL RIGHTS TRAIL  
1959-2019

Please RSVP online by November 1<sup>st</sup> 2019  
at  
You may also use our Email [iowacivilrightstrail@gmail.com](mailto:iowacivilrightstrail@gmail.com)

## WPS Sioux City

[Registration now open!](#)

The Privilege Institute (TPI) and The WPS Committee Sioux City, is pleased to announce the **White Privilege Symposium – Sioux City (#WPSSC) registration is now open!** This landmark symposium will take place at Courtyard (Downtown Sioux City), Friday night January 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. In keeping with the White Privilege Conference (WPC), the #WPSSC focuses on issues of systemic inequity and oppression through empowering, challenging and educational programming. Our workshops, keynotes and institutes provide practical tips, tools and strategies for combating systemic inequities. We are excited about our theme of **#Igniting Passion Through Action.**

The symposium is unique in its ability to bring together high school and college students, teachers, university faculty and higher education professionals, non-profit staff, activists,

social workers and counselors, healthcare workers, members of the spiritual community and corporate arena, among many others.

Our website is now ready to be viewed. For more information about the conference, including how to register for and/or sponsor the event, please visit [www.wpssiouxcity.com](http://www.wpssiouxcity.com)

**#SpreadTheWord #RegisterEarly**

**What: WPS in Sioux City #WPSSC**

**Where: Courtyard (Downtown Sioux City)**

**When: Friday January 24th - Saturday January 25th, 2020**

**Theme: *#Igniting Passion Through Action***

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**[Register to vote in Iowa here!](#)**

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## **Employment Opportunities**

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[ACLU of Iowa](#)

[Alliant Energy](#)

[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](#)

[EMC Insurance](#)

[Fifth Judicial District](#)

[G4S Jobs](#)

[Greater Des Moines Partnership](#)

[Hawkeye Community College](#)

[Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce](#)

[Iowa State University](#)

[Iowa State University Extension and Outreach](#)

[Iowa State Extension and Outreach 4H Program](#)

[KWQC - TV6](#)

[MidAmerican Energy](#)

[Northwest AEA](#)

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[State of Iowa](#)

[Tribune Media Inc](#)

[Transportation Security Officers](#)

[United Way](#)

[University of Iowa](#)

[University of Northern Iowa](#)

[U.S. Census 2020](#)

[Wellmark BCBS](#)

[Wells Fargo](#)

[YWCA Blackhawk County](#)

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## Newsletters

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[NAACP](#)

[National Urban League](#)

[N'Digo](#)

[Sentencing Project](#)

[Southern Poverty Law Center](#)

[SURJ \(Showing for Racial Justice\)](#)

[The Black Star Project](#)

[The Great Frame Up](#)

[The Soul Town](#)

[TBT News](#)

[Urban City Magazine](#)

[Urban Experience Magazine](#)

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