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Happy Juneteenth! We recognize everyone celebrating Juneteenth – Black America's Independence Day. June 19th symbolically marks the day when the final group of slaves in Texas was freed in 1865. Many African-Americans consider Juneteenth the official Independence Day for our nation. Black slaves were officially freed by the Emancipation Proclamation, signed by Abraham Lincoln, on January 1, 1863. Records show, however, that it took until June 19th, two-and-a-half years later, for the proclamation to be fully enforced. Festivities and celebrations are held annually across the nation on the 19th or on the third Sunday of June.

Juneteenth Events

Listed below are Juneteenth events throughout our community.

These events can all be found on Facebook.

For a more comprehensive list from the Council on Minnesotan of African Heritage:

https://www.facebook.com/cmahmn1/posts/710427986195285

Please practice social distancing,

Wear a mask, and bring some hand sanitizer with you if you plan to attend any in person events!

Friday June 19th 12:00 – 6:00 pm | Juneteenth Community Festival and Rally for Justice |North Minneapolis

Location: Cub Foods 701 W Broadway Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55411

join for a powerful community celebration to show the love, unity, resilience, and beauty of North Minneapolis in honor of Juneteenth and our ongoing fight for justice, freedom, and equality. There will be free hot food from Pimento Jamaican Kitchen, free giveaways of diapers, household items and supplies, and grocery items. Will also have free mental health kits for children (while supplies last), toys, cloth masks, hand sanitizer, and free t-shirts. There will be live musical performances and a rally (starting at 4pm) in honor of George Floyd and all stolen lives. All are welcome to join.

Friday June 19th 1:00 – 4:00 pm | Juneteenth Reparations Rally | State Capitol

Location: 75 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard., St Paul, MN 55155

Friday June 19th 3:00 – 8:00 pm | Juneteenth Celebration – Unite and Rebuild | South Minneapolis

Location: 2500 E Lake St, Minneapolis, MN 55406 (Target Parking Lot)

Join for a family-friendly Juneteenth Celebration! More than ever we need to Unite & Rebuild and support our communities across MSP. There will be Food Trucks, Musical Artists, and Community Speakers/Faith Leaders,

Saturday June 20th 8:00 am |George Floyd Memorial Run |38th and Chicago

Location: 38th and Chicago South Minneapolis

Join in running/walking/biking 8.46 miles in celebration of Juneteenth and in honor of George Floyd. We will be starting and finishing at 38th and Chicago.People are also welcome to come out and support.

Saturday June 20th 1:00 – 5:00 pm | Black Broadway Juneteenth Celebration |North Minneapolis

Location: Cub Foods 701 W Broadway Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55411

There will be a Youth Open Mic, Art Exhibition, Free Food for Youth, Health Resources from Black Nurses Rock, Financial Literacy Resources, Family Friendly Activities, Live Entertainment and more.

Minneapolis Police Department (dis)Engagement

In the days after George Floyd's murder, amidst civil unrest and uprising, the Senior Leadership Team began to identify immediate and long-term systemic and ongoing actions we can take that center our families and racial equity. This disengagement is the result of an intentional inventorying of our touchpoints/reevaluation of our relationship with law enforcement and was a decision made by the Senior Leadership Team as a whole. On June 10, Jake Gale - Senior Director of Operations and Planning - sent the following to the Minneapolis Police Department.

People Serving People has decided to indefinitely discontinue any engagement with the MPD that isn't materially related to the preservation of life and physical safety. This includes our engagement with the Bike Cops, Youth Beat Officers, Stuff the Sleigh, the MPD academy, etc. This engagement has decreased during recent years, but we're unwilling for it to continue absent clear indications of structural reform within the department or its successor. We will continue to work with the MPD on matters germane to the physical safety of our guests staff and other stakeholders, and I expect the bulk of our day-to-day operational coordination will remain largely unchanged on our end. While we have appreciated the Community Engagement Team's partnership over the years, it's time to place that on hold until our Black, Indigenous and People of Color stakeholders are safe in the presence of law enforcement and the conditions that enabled George Floyd's murder are fundamentally changed. During the meeting where this was decided one of our senior staff shared

how they'd like to have a positive relationship with law enforcement in the future. People Serving People would welcome the opportunity to be part of a credible process that engages directly impacted people and reimagines what public safety looks like in Minneapolis, and if it looks like we can be helpful in that change, we'll lend a hand.

Mass Testing Results-0 positive cases

We are pleased to announce that no positive cases of COVID-19 were detected in the mass testing we sponsored last week. This includes both staff and guests! Thank you for protecting yourself and each other by following safety procedures; wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, and washing your hands. #MaskUpMPLS

Message from the Clinic

Clinic staff is currently limited, so please call first. If you have questions regarding COVID-19 or have symptoms and would like to request a test, please call either of the numbers listed here.

612.396.6157 (please call first) Mon & Wed • 9am - 4pm Tues, Thurs, Fri • 9am - 12 noon

After hours: Healthcare for the Homeless 612.348.5553 7am - 10pm daily

Symptoms of COVID-19

- 1) Cough
- 2) Fever
- 3) Tiredness
- 4) Difficulty breathing (severe cases)



