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## Learn Swahili

Practice these Greetings & Phrases

Welcome > Karibu

Hello > Hello

Thank you > Ahsante

How are you? > Habarigani?

Good Morning > Habari za asubuhi

Have a nice day > Siku Njema

Translated by Mapenzi Mshombe, interpreter and translator at MCC. If you are in need of our interpreter services, contact us at 605-367-7401.

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## Jerstad Family Foundation

### After-School Program



The Jerstad Family Foundation Grant was established in 1997 in SD. The foundation was funded by the late Dr. Mark Jerstad. He was president and CEO of the Good Samaritan Society and a Lutheran pastor. He was always concerned with those in need. He had a long-standing dream to give away one million dollars and over the years has given away so much more to those in need.

MCC is the grateful recipient of a \$10,000 grant, from the **Jerstad Family Foundation**, for our After-School Program. Our After-School Programs line up with the commitments and goals that the Jerstad Family Foundation holds in high regards.

Our After-School Program sees about 150 children every week. The goal of MCC is to provide a safe, culturally sensitive environment where students can grow academically. The objectives of this goal are safety, respect of the different ethnic cultures represented in the classes, and academic improvement.

If you have any questions about our After-School Program contact Christy Nicolaisen at 605-367-7401 or <http://www.sfmcc.org/MCC-Youth-Programs-s/1814.htm>

**YOUTH PROGRAMS**

The Multi-Cultural Center is a state-licensed after-school facility. Registration and immunization records are required. Youth programs are free!

**Froggy Reads**

Reading program for English Language Learning (ELL) students. Students are bused from school/home (within bus boundaries). Monday through Thursday 3 pm to 5 pm.

**Natives Count**

Math program for Native American students. Students are bused from school/home (bus boundaries). Monday through Thursday 3 pm to 5 pm.

**Native Youth Club**

Focus on Native American traditions. Students are bused from school/home (bus boundaries). Fridays 3 pm to 5 pm.

**Self-Defense/Judo**

Teaching both the physical and the mental discipline integral to the practice of this martial art form; Tuesdays 6 pm-8 pm; Children ages 5-17; Class is free, uniforms not required.

**Ethnic Youth Day**

Celebrates youth and diversity; Middle school youth

**C.A.R.E. Camp**

Cultural Appreciation, Respect and Education. Four sessions summer day camp, each 2-weeks. Kindergarten through 5th graders.



**ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Job Skills Program**

Providing training to limited English participants; Attendance at English Classes required; Photo ID & Social Security card needed to register; Free

**Driver's Education**

16 hour educational classroom session; Interpreters provided for written testing; Ages 16 and older; Simulator training available; Fees apply

**English Language Learning Classes**

Partnering with Southeast Technical Institute; Tuesdays and Thursdays 6pm-8pm; Register first Tuesday of the month; Photo ID & Social Security card required;

**Language Classes**

Variety of days & times offered; Fees vary

**Housing Partnerships**

Housing rights and apartment living education

**Education**

Community wide educational presentations  
Cultural and diversity training

**Career Closet**

Monday-Friday mornings; Clean & modern adult clothing donations welcome; Free

**Cultural Celebrations**

Ethnic communities host their events in The Coliseum; Dr. King Day Celebration; Native American Day Wacipi; Festival of Cultures.

**SERVICES**

**Interpreting & Translating Services**

Individuals trained as communication tools  
Highest professional ethics  
Medical, legal, community, & social settings  
Legal documents such as birth certificates, death certificates and more  
All documents are kept confidential  
Fees vary

**Immigration Services**

Immigration legal assistance; Completion and filing of immigration forms with USCIS; Possible representation at interviews with USCIS officials; Limited to immigration issues only; Fees are associated with services.

**The Coliseum**

Classic & unique event space for rent; Industrial kitchen included; open catering; Minimum 2 hours rental; Deposit & Certificate of Liability required

LIVE. WORK. PLAY. **TOGETHER.**

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**Rent the Coliseum**



The Coliseum is more popular than ever before. The commercial kitchen is a big draw for many events and is included in the rental price. The Coliseum is larger than most banquet facilities in the area boasting 9,400 sq. ft. of space on the main floor: enough for 1000+ theater seating and 400+ banquet seating!

**Rent the Coliseum for:**

- Weddings
- Seminars & Luncheons
- Fundraising Events
- Reunions & Anniversaries
- Plays or Musicals
- Corporate Retreats & Events
- Graduations
- Dances
- + More

Contact [rentals@sfmcc.org](mailto:rentals@sfmcc.org) for pricing & availability

## Job Skills Program

### Training & Work Connections

- ✓ Training in Basic Job Skills
- ✓ Get Help Searching For Jobs
- ✓ Learn How to Fill Out a Job Application
- ✓ Practice Interview Techniques
- ✓ Understand U.S. Work Rules & Culture

Schedule Your Appointment to Register

Call (605) 367-7401



## Career Closet

### Dress to Impress

The Career Closet at the Multi-Cultural Center offers career and work wear free-of-charge to anyone in need.

#### Hours

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00am – 1:00pm  
 Tue, Thur: 9:00am – 12:00pm

*\*The Career Closet relies on the community for donations of clothing. Please consider donating clean, gently-worn mens' and womens' clothing and accessories.*

## Big Shout Out to the Argus Leader!

### C.A.R.E. Camp

C.A.R.E. Camp (Cultural Appreciation Respect and Education) is a summer day camp designed for students to experience different cultures while participating in educational activities.

**The Argus Leader's Ganette Foundation has graciously donated \$1,500 for our C.A.R.E Camps!**

Free of charge, this summer youth program is offered in four sessions of two-week increments. Activities during the camp are science and math focused, offering children unique cultural experiences, recreational opportunities, nutritional education, and more.

The objective of C.A.R.E. Camp is to create a safe and educational environment for 240 students from May to July each year. C.A.R.E. Camp is offered at no cost in order to serve the low-income families and English Language Learners in Sioux Falls. The focus of the summer day-camp is on academic achievement, with a strong emphasis on diversity. It also promotes social and physical development. The anticipated impacts of the C.A.R.E. Camp program include increased academic performance, self-confidence, group involvement, wellness, and social skills.

**Thank you Argus Leader for your generosity!**

## Compassionate Sioux Falls

### Join the Movement Today

Karen Armstrong created the idea for the initiative of Charter for Compassion. In this charter, Karen Armstrong discusses the obligation for communities to return to the fundamental notion of compassion. The impulse to self-motivate and move forward with action is of the utmost importance. It is no longer enough to tolerate, acceptance is imperative. So far 63 cities all over the world have signed this charter.

Sioux Falls has now been added to the ever growing list of cities. "Becoming a recognized compassionate community will help strengthen community connections and establish a community-wide plan of action to continue to bring compassion to life in Sioux Falls", states Tina Lemieux from The City of Sioux Falls.

To start, the Human Relations Office plans to hold quarterly service projects starting this February to encourage community members and organizations to participate. The idea is to encourage Sioux Falls residents to work together to alleviate the problems of inequality and disrespectful behavior. It's time to get our Action on!

To sign the pledge, go to [www.siouxfalls.org/compassion](http://www.siouxfalls.org/compassion). To find out more about Compassionate Sioux Falls, go to [www.siouxfalls.org/relations](http://www.siouxfalls.org/relations).

## Nybergs Ace Hardware

Thank you!



Thanks to Kevin Nyberg of Nyberg's Ace Hardware, not only were we able to reward another deserving young person with a new bike, but we can now offer these hardworking young people a brand new bike helmet.

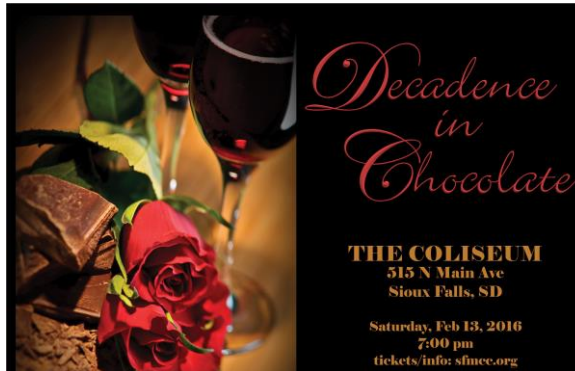
On the average in South Dakota, the number of accidents involving cars and bikes is 150 annually. According to the South Dakota Department of Safety about 85% of head injuries can be prevented with a bike helmet.

Biking is a fun and healthy activity, but it is important that you understand the rules of the road, and it is vital you wear a helmet.

For more information on bike safety: <http://www.siouxfalls.org/planning-building/planning/transportation/highlights/bicycle-planning/on-st-bike-orders/updates.aspx>

### Diversity Holidays

- Jan 4: Eid Milad Un Nabi
- Jan 5: Mahayana New Year
- Jan 6: Epiphany
- Jan 14: Makar Sankranti
- Jan 18: World Religion Day
- Jan 18-25: The week of prayer for Christian Unity
- Jan 26: Republic Day of India
- Jan 31: Birthday of Guru Har Rai



# Save the Date

## Job Opportunities

### Join our Hard-Working Team

We are looking for talented and dedicated individuals to join our team. The Multi-Cultural Center is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. Take a look at the opportunities available.

#### Bus Driver – Part Time

Make an impact with the children in our community! The bus driver would provide bus transportation to students from assigned schools to MCC and then home. Other responsibilities include: document bus attendance, perform daily bus inspection, provide appropriate supervision to students utilizing MCC transportation, and more. Hours: M – F 1:30pm – 6pm. [Learn more.](#)

#### Assistant Teacher/Bus Monitor – Part Time

The assistant teacher would implement educational programs under the direction of the classroom teacher, provide guidance to students, assist with diversity awareness, and more. Multiple positions are open – we will consider those individuals only available for some of those days. Hours: M – F, 2pm – 6pm. [Learn more.](#)

#### Native Youth Club Teacher – Part Time

Make a difference with children in our After-School Programs as the Native Youth Club teacher. We are seeking an individual who has the cultural capability, knowledge, and experience to teach elementary students basic cultural skills outlined in the South Dakota Office of Indian Education Essential Understandings and Standards. Job duties include program operation, assistant assignments, maintaining complete and accurate records and databases, working with other office activities/events, as well as administrative support services.

#### Interpreter or Translator – Part-time, On Call Assignments

We are currently looking for interpreters and translators for the following languages; Kunama, Bosnian, Amharic, Somali (female), Nepali (male & female), and Lao, although, all languages are encouraged to apply. [Learn more.](#)

No phone calls. Please email resume and cover letter to Christy Nicolaisen at [Christy@sfmcc.org](mailto:Christy@sfmcc.org)