

AGENDA
HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
Lobby Conference Room
February 16, 2016
5:30 P.M.

1. Call Meeting to Order/ Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes from January 19, 2016 meeting
3. Public Comment of Items Not on the Agenda
4. New Business:
 - a. Resolution Freedom from Domestic Violence
 - b. Election of Chair for 2016
 - c. Funding Request for Night of 1,000 Dinners Iowa UNA (Thursday, March 3)
 - d. Planning Committee for Sixth Annual Juneteenth Celebration (Saturday, June 25)
 - e. Reschedule April Commission Meeting to Attend Presentation from St. Ambrose University's Dr. Barnum regarding the ongoing Police Department Disproportionate Minority Contact Traffic Stop Study (Tuesday, April 19, 2016)
5. Old Business:
 - a. Commission Action Plan 2015
 - i. Education Programming & Outreach (Ghoneim, Townsend, Ahmed)
 - ii. Community Outreach (Hanrahan, Cohen)
 1. Resolution in Support of Muslim Communities
 - iii. Council Outreach (Coulter, Retish)
 1. Proclamation
 - a. Black History Month (February 2016)
 - b. Possible other Proclamations:
 - i. Women's History Month (March 2016)
 - ii. National Fair Housing Month (April 2016)
6. Upcoming Events:
 - a. Youth Awards (Tuesday, May 10, 2016)
 - b. Human Rights Breakfast (Wednesday, October 26, 2016)
7. Reports:
 - a. Choice Dinner 2016 (Friday, January 22, 2016)
 - b. Diverse Discrimination Workshop (Friday, January 22, 2016)
 - c. Council for International Visitors to Iowa Cities (Friday, February 5, 2016)

- d. Job Fair (Retish)
 - e. Making Iowa City a Human Rights Community (Cohen, Coulter, Hanrahan)
 - f. Education Subcommittee (Retish, Hanrahan)
 - g. Building Communities Subcommittee (Townsend)
 - h. University of Iowa's Center for Human Rights Board (Ghoneim)
 - i. Council's Racial Equity & Diversity Initiative (Bowers)
 - i. Update on Housing Choice Voucher Amendment
 - j. Commission
 - k. Staff
8. Set Next Regular Meeting Date: March 15, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.
9. Adjourn

Agenda Items

Minutes

Preliminary

Human Rights Commission

January 19, 2016

Neighborhood and Development Services Conference Room (Second Floor)

Members Present: Kim Hanrahan, Orville Townsend Sr, Joe Coulter, Eliza Jane Willis (via phone), Ali Ahmed, Andrea Cohen.

Members Absent: Paul Retish, Shams Ghoneim, Adil D. Adams.

Staff Present: Stefanie Bowers.

Recommendations to Council: No.

Call to Order:

Coulter called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Consideration of the Minutes from the December 15, 2015 Meeting Date:

Motion Townsend, seconded by Hanrahan. Motion passed 6—0.

Meeting Business

Election of Vice Chair

Hanrahan was elected Vice Chair, seconded by Ahmed. Motion passed 6—0.

Election of Chair

Commissioner's will elect a Chair at its February 16 meeting. The vote was 3 for Townsend (Coulter, Hanrahan and Townsend) and 3 for Ghoneim (Cohen, Ahmed, Willis).

Funding Request for MLK Celebration/Black History Month

Motion Coulter, seconded by Townsend to provide \$300 towards the MLK Celebration/Black History Month. Motion passed 6—0. Commissioners cited the direct service and benefit to the community as the reason for the support.

Funding Request Form

The funding form was slightly modified and is available on the City's website on the Human Rights link under Form, Brochures and Upcoming Events.

Education Programming & Outreach

Bowers will plan to meet with Townsend, Ahmed and Ghoneim in the near future to plan a fair housing event for April.

Community Outreach

Bowers has not heard back from the Iowa City Mosque as to a future date to present the Resolution in Support of Muslim Communities.

Council Outreach

Townsend accepted a proclamation in honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday at the January 5, 2016 Council meeting. Coulter made remarks after Council adopted the Resolution in Support

of Muslim Communities at the January 5, 2016 Council meeting. A proclamation will be submitted for Black History Month, if approved Cohen will accept at the February 16, 2016 Council meeting.

Subcommittee Reports

Job Fair

Bowers reported that a job fair will be held in the fall of 2016. Planning will begin in June.

Building Communities

Townsend reported that education of students within the Iowa City Community School District was the topic at the Black Voices Project meeting in January.

Making Iowa City a Human Rights Community

No update at this time.

University of Iowa Center for Human Rights

Ghoneim provided a report via correspondence.

Education Subcommittee

Hanrahan reported on the Iowa City Community School District's most recent progress data for students by race, ethnicity and age.

Commission Reports

Ahmed announced that he will be moving to Virginia in the near future and will have to resign his tenure on the Commission at that time.

Willis spoke on Arkansas celebrating the birthdays of Robert E. Lee and Martin Luther King, Jr. on the same day. Arkansas is one of three states (Alabama and Mississippi) that celebrate both on the same holiday. The Arkansas Governor is asking for the two holidays to be separated in the future.

Coulter remarked on his past year as Chair of the Commission. Noting he enjoyed his time serving in that capacity.

Staff Reports

Bowers updated the Commission on the St. Ambrose Police Traffic Stop Study. She also reported on the proposed inclusion of the Housing Choice Voucher and other rental subsidies to the definition of Public Assistance Source of Income under the Iowa City fair housing laws.

Adjournment: 7:01 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting – February 16, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

**Human Rights Commission
ATTENDANCE RECORD
YEAR 2015/2016**

(Meeting Date)

NAME	TERM EXP.	2/17/15	3/17/15	4/1/15	4/21/15	5/19/15	6/16/15	7/21/15	8/18/15	9/16/15	10/20/15	11/17/15	12/15/15	1/19/16
Joe D. Coulter	1/1/2019	X	X	X	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X
Adil D. Adams	1/1/2019	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	O
Eliza Jane Willis	1/1/2019	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	X
Paul Retish	1/1/2017	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O/E
Ali Ahmed	1/1/2017	X	O/E	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	O/E	X	O	X	X
Orville Townsend, Sr.	1/1/2017	X	X	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Andrea Cohen	1/1/2018	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	X
Kim Hanrahan	1/1/2018	X	X	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Shams Ghoneim	1/1/2018	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	O/E
Stella Hart	1/1/2018	X	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	O/E	O/E	R	R
Edie Pierce-Thomas	1/1/2016	O/E	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	---
Harry Olmstead	1/1/2016	X	O/E	X	X	X	O/E	X	X	X	X	X	X	---

KEY:

- X = Present**
- O = Absent**
- O/E = Absent/Excused**
- NM = No meeting**
- = No longer a member
- R = Resignation**



COLLEGE OF LAW
CLINICAL LAW PROGRAMS

February 9, 2016

Stefanie Bowers
Human Rights Coordinator
Iowa City Human Rights Commission
410 E. Washington Street
Iowa City, IA 52240

Re: Iowa City Resolution to Establish Freedom from Domestic Violence as a
Fundamental Human Right

Dear Ms. Bowers:

We at the University of Iowa College of Law Legal Clinic (the "Legal Clinic") along with our client, the Domestic Violence Intervention Program ("DVIP"), have been working together to create the attached Iowa City Freedom from Domestic Violence Resolution ("Resolution"). We now ask for the support of the Iowa City Human Rights Commission as a co-sponsor in this important endeavor.

Across the nation, other municipalities have passed similar resolutions. For example, cities such as Chicago, IL, Albany, NY, and Austin, TX have adopted resolutions recognizing freedom from domestic violence as a human right. It is time for Iowa City to join as a leader in this movement. We hope that this Resolution will raise awareness of domestic violence in the Iowa City community and inspire other communities to adopt similar measures.

Members from the Legal Clinic and DVIP will attend the Human Rights Commission's meeting on February 16, 2016 to briefly present this Resolution and respond to any questions or comments that the Commission may have. The Johnson County Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the Johnson County Local Homeless Coordinating Board, the Consultation of Religious Communities, and the University of Iowa Center for Human Rights have voiced their support and are co-sponsoring this Resolution. In March, we will present it to the Iowa City City Council. We very much hope the Commission will accept our invitation to co-sponsor this Resolution and would like to invite any other participation the Commission or its members would like to have in securing the passage of this Resolution. Thank you for your consideration.

380 Boyd Law Building
Iowa City, Iowa 52242-1113
319-335-9023 Fax 319-353-5445
law-legal-clinic@uiowa.edu

Sincerely,



Persephone A. Eglaine
Clinic Law Student



Lois K. Cox
Professor of the Clinical Law Program



Nathan J. Miller
Professor of the Clinical Law Program



Arielle M. Lipman
Clinic Law Student

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**IOWA CITY RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH FREEDOM FROM DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE AS A FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHT**

WHO/HOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AFFECTS

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a human rights concern that affects individuals of every gender, race, age, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, and economic status; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence includes various forms of abuse not always apparent to members of the community, nor do victims or perpetrators of domestic violence fit into any particular category or stereotype associated with the issue; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence can take many forms, including physical, sexual, psychological or economic abuse, intimidation, isolation, and coercive control by intimate partners or family members; and

WHEREAS, 30% to 60% of perpetrators of intimate partner violence also abuse children in the household; and

WHEREAS, traumatized children are often the silent victims in homes where domestic violence occurs; this trauma has detrimental effects upon a child's cognitive, emotional, and psychological development, significantly increasing an exposed child's risk of developing behavioral problems during childhood as well as the potential for becoming an abuser or engaging in criminal violence as an adult; and

WHEREAS, children are always negatively impacted by violence in the home, whether they are physically or verbally abused themselves or witness the violence; and

STATISTICS

WHEREAS, relationship violence is chronically underreported, and statistics from the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence show that only 1 out of 3 cases is ever reported; and

WHEREAS, in the current year, Iowa City Police Department (ICPD) responded to 436 calls for service related to domestic assault, stalking and relationship-oriented harassment by October; this figure represents an increase from 405 calls by October in 2014; and

WHEREAS, in the current year, ICPD reports 288 arrests related to domestic assault and (relationship-related) harassment by October; this figure represents an increase from 170 arrests by October in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the ICPD reported 1,833 domestic violence related incidents between 2011 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Domestic Violence Intervention Program (DVIP) helped 765 adult victims of domestic violence in 2014; DVIP helped 363 children in 2014; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence victims made 12,595 calls for assistance to the DVIP crisis hotline or other resources in 2014; and

WHEREAS, 301 victims of domestic violence needed overnight protection at the DVIP battered women's shelter in 2014. The average length of stay was 29 nights, totaling 8,729 nights of shelter provided in 2014; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies in Iowa City reported 579 victims of domestic violence in 2014; and

WHEREAS, 208 women and men in the state of Iowa died as a result of intimate partner homicide between 1995 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Justice reports that domestic abuse has led to murder by methods that include stabbing, strangling, shooting, beating, drug overdosing, deliberate car crashes, and burning to death in the home; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Justice reported that, of the 174 women killed between 1995 and 2014 in domestic abuse murder, 67 women were known to have left or been leaving their partners at the time of their death; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Justice reported that 282 daughters and sons survived these murdered women. 167 of the surviving children were minors at the time of their mothers' deaths and 62 of the surviving children witnessed the domestic abuse murders; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Crime Victim Assistance Division reported that 622 people filed for Protective Orders for Domestic Abuse in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Crime Victim Assistance Division reported that domestic abuse programs across the state served 23,301 domestic violence victims in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Crime Victim Assistance Division reported that \$555,923 of compensation payments were made due to domestic abuse in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Iowa domestic abuse programs statewide offered 2,729 people 74,242 nights of shelter in 2014; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 20,000 phone calls per day placed to domestic violence hotlines nationwide; and

WHEREAS, intimate partner violence accounts for 15% of all violent crime in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that more than one in three women and more than one in four men in the United States will experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by intimate partners during their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, 24 people per minute are victims of rape, physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner in the United States; and

WHEREAS, every 9 to 15 seconds a woman is battered in the United States, and every 2.5 minutes someone is sexually assaulted in the United States; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence problems disproportionately impact women and children of color, women and children with disabilities, women and children with low incomes, and immigrant women and children; and

WHEREAS, 44% of African American women, 37% of Hispanic women, and 35% of white women have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner; and 39% of African American men, 27% of Hispanic men, and 28% of white men have experienced rape, physical violence, and/or stalking by an intimate partner, according to the Centers for Disease Control; and

WHEREAS, almost half of the teenagers in the United States report having a controlling partner and 80% report knowing someone who has been controlled by a partner; and

WHEREAS, 11% of high school students and 6% of middle school students throughout the United States report being physically abused by a date sometime in their lifetimes; and

SURVIVORS

WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence have the fundamental right to be free from torture and cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment; and

WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence face many challenges, some of which directly or indirectly relate to the availability of services provided by the City of Iowa City; and

WHEREAS, survivors of domestic violence endure physical injuries, long-term psychological and emotional damage, financial and career instability, insecure or inadequate safe housing, and social stigma; and

FINANCIAL

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control estimates that the cost of intimate partner violence in the United States exceeds \$10 billion per year, including medical care services and productivity losses; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies, courts, cities, social service agencies, and other local government entities incur significant monetary costs due to domestic violence; and

LOCAL

WHEREAS, law enforcement departments, courts, cities, counties, towns villages, social service agencies, and other local government entities constitute the first line of defense against domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, by recognizing that freedom from domestic violence is a human right, the City of Iowa City seeks to raise awareness of domestic violence and enhance domestic violence response and education in communities, the public and private sectors, and within government agencies; and

WHEREAS, there is one domestic violence shelter in Iowa City, 30 local domestic violence crisis hotlines throughout Iowa, and one statewide domestic violence hotline; and

UNITED STATES

WHEREAS, millions of domestic violence incidents occur in the United States every year; and

WHEREAS, political leaders of the United States recognize that domestic violence is a human rights concern; and

WHEREAS, in 1988 the federal Office of Victims of Crime was established, and in 1995 the federal Office of Violence Against Women was established, and these federal initiatives led to state initiatives that govern the local protocols in place today; and

WHEREAS, the Violence Against Women Act applies to all victims of domestic violence, irrespective of their gender; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 President Barack Obama reauthorized and extended the Violence Against Women Act to advance the cause of security, justice, and dignity for mothers and daughters in the United States; and

INTERNATIONAL

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a global problem and the United Nations and other international organizations have recognized that freedom from domestic violence is a human right and that governments have a responsibility to prevent and respond to such violence; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a violation of the human rights guaranteed by international law, including: the (1) International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and (2) the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, which the United States has ratified through coordination and consent between the Executive Branch and the Senate; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women has stated that “violence against women is the most pervasive human rights violation” and that responses to violence should recognize human rights as a premise; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Declaration on the Elimination of Violence Against Women recognizes the urgent need for the universal application to women of the rights and principles with regard to equality, security, liberty, integrity, and dignity of all human beings; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women has stated that the United States’ “lack of substantive protective legislation at federal and state levels, and the inadequate implementation of some laws, policies and programs has resulted in the continued prevalence of violence against women and the discriminatory treatment of victims, with a particularly detrimental impact on poor, minority and immigrant women;” and

WHEREAS, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women identified several deficiencies in the regulation of domestic violence in the United States, including the need to explore more uniform remedies for victims of domestic violence; the need to re-evaluate existing mechanisms for protecting victims and punishing offenders at federal, state, and local levels, given that calls for help often do not result in either arrests or successful prosecutions; and the need for additional public education campaigns that condemn all forms of violence; and

WHEREAS, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights found in *Jessica Lenahan (Gonzalez) v. United States* that the United States’ failure to protect women from gender-based violence constitutes discrimination and a human rights violation and urged the United States to enact law and policy reforms at all levels to protect survivors of domestic violence and their children; and

IOWA SUPREME COURT AND IOWA LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, the Iowa Supreme Court has acknowledged that domestic violence rarely involves a single isolated incident. Rather, domestic violence is a pattern of behavior, with each episode connected to the others; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Supreme Court has recognized a compelling interest in preventing domestic violence and protecting the psychological and emotional needs of victims; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Legislature has acknowledged a compelling interest in preventing domestic violence by enacting and continually amending Iowa Civil Code 236 and Iowa Criminal Codes 708.2A and 664A.

PURPOSE

WHEREAS, promoting the recognition of domestic violence as an issue of human rights will raise public awareness, encourage family-violence education in communities, and enhance public welfare; and

FINAL RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF IOWA CITY, this Council joins world leaders and leaders in the United States in recognizing domestic violence as a human rights concern and declares that the freedom from domestic violence is a fundamental human right; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council recognizes that Iowa City departments and agencies already have protocols in place that acknowledge and address the multiple problems that arise from domestic violence; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council strongly supports the continuation and expansion of their efforts to eradicate domestic violence in our community and uses those efforts to continue to be informed by domestic violence survivors' voices and needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall serve to assure the citizens of Iowa City that all government bodies bear a moral responsibility to secure this human right on behalf of their residents; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, this resolution shall serve as a charge to all local government agencies to incorporate these principles into their policies and practices.

Passed and approved this _____ day of _____, 20__.

MAYOR

Approved by

ATTEST: _____
CITY CLERK

City Attorney's Office



CITY OF IOWA CITY
410 East Washington Street
Iowa City, Iowa 52240-1826
(319) 356-5000
(319) 356-5009 FAX
www.icgov.org

HRC APPLICATION FORM REQUESTING SPONSORSHIP FY16

Today's Date: February 3, 2016

Group/organization Name: Iowa United Nations Association

Contact person: Jim Olson

Phone number: (319) 337-7290 Email address: jimolson921@gmail.com

Date of activity/event/program: March 3, 2016

Event location and address:
Old Brick, 20 East Market Street, Iowa City

Is the event location wheelchair accessible? Yes

Is the event location accessible to individuals with visual impairments? Yes

Describe the activity/event/program and how it contributes to Human Rights:
Night of 1000 Dinners is an annual international dinner to celebrate International Women's Day. 2016 theme is

Refugee Women. The event contributes to human rights by raising awareness of women's rights and accomplishments.

Amount of funds requesting and itemized budget (please provide budget on separate sheet): \$100

Other funders involved? Yes, several community groups

How will this activity/event/program be marketed? Iowa UNA website and Facebook page, ticket sales and publicity through organizational co-sponsors, press releases.

Will sponsors be mentioned and/or sponsor logos be used in the marketing of the activity/event/program?
Yes, sponsors will be listed on poster and pre-event publicity and information provided during the event.

Is the activity/event/program a fundraiser? If so, explain: UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and the educational work of the Iowa UNA
UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and the educational work of the Iowa UNA

Please acknowledge by initialling here that you have read the cover letter to this form: _____

Submit request to:

Stefanie Bowers
Human Rights Coordinator
City of Iowa City
410 E. Washington Street
Iowa City, IA 52240-1826

Or

JMO

By facsimile to 319-887-6213 or email to stefanie-bowers@iowa-city.org.

Night of 1000 Dinners, March 3, 2016

Income

Ticket Sales	\$3,500
Sponsorships	2,000

Total Income: \$5,500

Expenses

Food/Equipment*	\$ 800
Venue rental	0 (donated)
Printing	50
Speaker Travel	100
Contingency	100

Total Expenses: \$1,050

Anticipated donation to USA for UNHCR: \$2,000

Anticipated revenue for the educational work of IUNA: \$2,450

* Food is donated by local restaurants or purchased at a discount.

NIGHT OF 1,000 DINNERS

An international
dinner to celebrate
International
Women's Day

Theme: *Refugee Women*

Speaker: ZELJKA KRVAVICA

Bosnian refugee, leader in refugee settlement in Iowa,
and 2015 recipient of a White House Champions of Change Award
for World Refugees



**Thursday, March 3, 2016,
6:00 p.m.**

Old Brick, 20 E. Market Street, Iowa City

The dinner will feature a diverse menu (including vegetarian and
vegan options) provided by Iowa City restaurants and
members of the Sudanese and Thai communities.

Community members: \$20 in advance (\$25 at the door, if available)
Students: \$10 in advance (\$12 at the door, if available)

Tickets available online at www.iowauna.org
or contact Iowa UNA at (319) 337-7290 or susan@unaiowa.org

Sponsored by the Iowa United Nations Association and community and
campus co-sponsors. Proceeds will support the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and
the advocacy and educational work of the Iowa United Nations Association.

Stefanie Bowers

From: LaTasha DeLoach <ldeLoach@co.johnson.ia.us>
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2016 2:38 PM
To: 'Harriette Pierce'; Stefanie Bowers; Kingsley Botchway; 'RaQuishia H'; 'Sara Barron'; 'mnaimable@gmail.com'; 'gsmansaray@gmail.com'; 'Sara L (sclangenberg@gmail.com)'; 'quinneka.b.lee@gmail.com'; 'tabwiggins1@gmail.com'; Darin; Frederick Newell
Subject: Juneteenth 2016!

Hi All,

I hope that you are well. First, thank you to all those who have hung in there with us all these year and welcome to our new folks! I am excited about the wonderful work and conversations that Juneteenth has brought to our community but we all know that the conversation and action steps and accountability must continue. Our community continues to grow in diversity and its complexity is what makes our community unique and a great place to live.

I would like to begin the planning process for this summer. I have already followed up on the requests from the previous wrap up meeting of last year's fantastic event.

The group decided on June 25, 2016 and decided to go back to Mercer Park as it was a better fit with trees and grass for the little ones to play on and we missed the playground equipment which I just heard that they are putting up brand new equipment in the first time in a years. (YAY!)

The day of the week that works best for me is Thursday until March when I am available on Wednesday evenings as well. We have meet in the past at 6pm. Our meetings are usually an hour or so and we try to leave with small assignments so that we can all carry the work forward. I am able to do this as a part of my job so we will get some things done during work day hours.

Come with ideas for a theme so that we can get the save the date out as soon as we can. (My idea: Future Focused)

Also if you are not interested this year, please let me know!

Thanks,

LaTasha DeLoach
6th Annual Juneteenth
June 25 12:00 -6:00 pm
Mercer Park

<https://icjuneteenth.wordpress.com/>

Johnson County Social Services

855 S. Dubuque St. Ste 202B

Iowa City, IA 52240

Office: 319.356.6090

Iowa City Human Rights Commission

Report: Public show of support for the Muslim Community of Iowa City

Submitted by: Kim Hanrahan and Andrea Cohen

We are organizing an event with the Imam at the Mosque in order to show our public support for the Muslim community of Iowa City.

Stefanie has reached out to the Imam but has not heard back about a date. Stefanie suggested we include Shams in arranging a meeting.

We are hoping to hold the event at the Mosque. We have discussed possible activities including presenting a proclamation of support, clarifications about Islam and Muslim life (verbal, dance, song, food, etc.). The primary purposes of the event are to 1) show support and 2) provide an opportunity for open dialogue between our communities, taking a step towards breaking down barriers that stand in our way.

The event is open to the public and invitations will be sent to the City Council, the University, School Board, the Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations, citizen groups, student groups, and individuals who (can) play an important role in making Iowa City a just city for all its citizens.

Correspondence

CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2016

**ALL AGES
WELCOME**

**ALL EVENTS
ARE FREE**

Donations accepted



**Art Expression at
United Action for
Youth Teen Center**
355 Iowa Ave.,
Iowa City
Friday, Feb. 5th and
Friday, Feb 12th
4:00-5:30PM

Express yourself through the
arts while learning about
historical moments and
people with music, poetry,
and art.

**Soul Food Dinner
and Entertainment**
at
City High School
1900 Morningside Dr.,
Iowa City
Friday, Feb. 19th
6-8PM



**Living Museum with the
Dream Center at
The Robert A. Lee Rec
Center**
200 S. Gilbert St., Iowa City
Saturday, Feb. 20th
Doors open at 5:30PM
Activities 6-8PM
Youth will recreate historical
figures and provide visitors with
an experiential
interpretation of black
history. Come learn about
trendsetters and people who have
made history.

**Mobile Health
Clinic
Neighborhood
Centers- Broadway
Site**
(319-354-7989)
2105 Broadway St.
Iowa City
Thursday, Feb 25th
5:30-7:00PM



**Unity Concert at
New Creations
International Center**
2929 E. Court St.
Iowa City
Sunday, Feb. 28th
3PM

**United
Action**
for Youth ★★



**IOWA CITY
COMMUNITY
SCHOOL DISTRICT**
2011-2012 - Future Forward

**Black Voices Project
Iowa City Human
Rights Commission**



NCJC

B BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Iowa City Human Rights Commission



Black History is American History

SOUL FOOD

DINNER

**Friday,
February 19th
6pm to 8pm**

**City High School
1900 Morningside Drive
Iowa City, IA 52245**

*"Hollowed Ground: Sites
of African American
Memories"*

Donations Accepted!

**Inclusive & Free For
All Community
Members!**

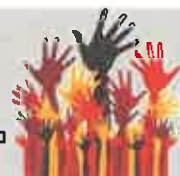


For More Information,
email RaQuishia at
raquishia-harrington@ncjc.org



CityHigh
The School That Leads
Home of the Little Hawks

BLACK VOICES PROJECT



Iowa City
Police Outreach



presents

The Black History Living Museum: A Moment In Time

Robert A. Lee Community Recreation Center

Saturday, Feb. 20, 2016

Museum Opens: 5:30p

Participates Live: 6:00-8:00p

FREE ADMISSION

At the museum, youth will pose as sculptures of African American figures. When a spectator rings the bell in front of the sculpture, the figure will tell the audience members about their character's life or reenact a scene from their character's life.

Donations are welcome and will go toward our performing arts academy



**THE
ENGLERT
THEATRE**



The Quire

Eastern Iowa's
GLBT Chorus

presents...

Give My Regards to BROADWAY

A Fundraiser Featuring Song, Dance, Frenzy & Frolic!

This special event will feature a Showtune Showdown,
so bring your dollars to vote for your favorite performers!

Saturday, February 20, 2016 - 7:30 pm
Old Brick Auditorium - 26 E. Market St. - Iowa City
Donations Also Accepted at the Door



For more information, scan the code or visit www.thequire.org

Those needing accommodation in order to attend, please call 319.321.2349

The Quire is an affiliate of Iowa Shares. For more information, visit www.iowashares.org.



NEW IOWANS LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC

Sponsored by the Johnson
County Bar Association

WHEN

5:30pm – 7:30pm

January 12th • February 9th • March 8th

April 12th • May 10th • June 14th • July 12th

August 9th • September 13th

October 11th • November 8th • December 13th

WHERE

IC Compassion

Located in the Church of Nazarene
1035 Wade Street, Iowa City 52240

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

• Center for Worker Justice of Eastern Iowa • IC Compassion •
Iowa Legal Aid • Iowa State Bar Association • Johnson County
Bar Association Young Lawyers Division • Proteus •
University of Iowa Citizen Lawyer Program • University of
Iowa College of Law Legal Clinic •

WHAT

A free legal advice clinic
for all people.

Consultations will be
given with attorneys on a
first come, first served
basis about issues such
as:

- Landlord/tenant
- Immigration
- Employment/Work
Issues
- Family Law
- Personal Lawsuits
- Estate Planning
- Consumer Issues

WHO

This clinic is open to all
residents REGARDLESS of
their Immigration status.

WHY

The aim of this clinic is to
serve people who cannot
access any other free
legal services in the
community.

QUESTIONS

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CLÍNICA GRATUITA DE ASESORIAMIENTO JURIDICO

Patrocinado por Johnson County
Bar Association

CUANDO

5:30pm – 7:30pm

9 de febrero • 8 de marzo • 12 de abril

10 de mayo • 14 de junio • 12 de julio

9 de agosto • 13 de septiembre

11 de octubre • 8 de noviembre

13 de diciembre

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QUÉ ES?

Una clínica gratuita de asesoramiento jurídico para todos. Los participantes tendrán la oportunidad de consultar con un abogado por orden de llegada. Consultas gratuitas de los siguientes temas y más:

- Problemas con los propietarios y derechos de inquilinos
- Inmigración
- Problemas en el trabajo
- Derechos de la familia
- Demandas judiciales
- Planificación patrimonial
- Asuntos del consumidor

PARA QUIÉN?

Todas personas sin importar el estatus migratorio.

POR QUÉ?

El objetivo de esta clínica es servir a las personas que no tienen acceso a otros servicios legales.

PREGUNTAS?

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