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**December 2023**

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## **PARTNER SPOTLIGHT**

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### **Congratulations to the 2023 Leadership Development Program Graduates!**

Congratulations to the graduates of the 2023 [Leadership Development Programs at United Way!](#) These programs include the Latino Leadership Program, African American Leadership Program, Emerging Leaders Program, and the PRIDE Leadership Program. Our own Senior Program Officer, Monica Brown, is among the graduating class!

Monica joins Health Foundation colleagues and AALDP alums Chiara Smith and Danette Campbell-Bell as well as LLDP alum Rachel Betts. We are proud to have supported these programs that invest in the talent, skills, ideas, expertise and experience of Black, Latino, LGBTQ+, and other individuals in our community, often those closest to the issues and inequities we are seeking to address. They create a pipeline to increasing representation and advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion within the health field, related sectors, and at the policy and decision-making tables in our community.

Monica joins fellow Health Foundation colleagues who are LDP alums: Chiara Smith, Danette Campbell-Bell, and Rachel Betts.



The community is invited to celebrate the graduates at **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 6** at the Riverside Convention Center. Click [here](#) for tickets.

## GRANTEE SPOTLIGHT



### Renaissance Academy Charter School Celebrates One Decade With Mural Unveiling, Student Performances

Congratulations to [Renaissance Academy Charter School of the Arts](#), celebrating its 10th year as a school with the unveiling of the "Decade of Dreams" mural by Shawn Dunwoody, in collaboration with students.

The event included performances by the school choir and a Q&A session with one of the student mural artists. The event was [featured on 13 WHAM News](#).

Renaissance Academy Charter School of the Arts is a new Health Foundation grantee. We are proud to support the school in its efforts to bolster its efforts to address trauma and systemic barriers via mental health support services for students.

## LEARNING & ENGAGEMENT

### Find out How Historical Policies Shaped Our Communities Today via Interactive Family Workshop

Save the date! [Greater Rochester Parent Leadership Training Institute -PLTI](#) and the [Antiracist Curriculum Project](#) are partnering to present an interactive family workshop. Childcare and lunch are provided.

The in-person workshop takes place from **11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13, 2024** at Asbury First United



Methodist Church: 1050 East Avenue, Rochester.  
Register [here](#).

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### **Save the Date for Roc The Future's State of Our Children Report Card Release**

Join [Roc The Future](#) for the 11th Annual State of Our Children Address and Report Card Release, where program staff will dive into the latest updates on Rochester's kids. ROC the Future Alliance is a league of dozens of leading institutions and community partnerships in the Rochester, NY, area that promotes the alignment of community resources to improve the academic achievement of Rochester's children.

The in-person event takes place from **11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 19** at ARTISANworks, 565 Blossom Rd. in Rochester. Find out more and register for the event [here](#).

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### **Recommended Resource: St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center Health Fair**

St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center is hosting a [FREE Community Health Fair](#) in honor of its [30th Anniversary](#) from **9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 8** at the Center - 417 South Ave. in Rochester.

St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center, in the tradition of the Sisters of St. Joseph, seeks to identify and respond to the unique health and social needs of individuals and communities in the greater Rochester region.

Click [here](#) to learn more.

# Free Event!

*In Honor of Our 30th Anniversary*

St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center (SJNC)

is hosting a

## COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8TH  
FROM 9 AM - 1PM

***ALL ARE WELCOME!***

417 South Avenue | Rochester, NY 14620

### FEATURING:

- SJNC's Health Care Access, Medical, and Counselling & Community Works Departments
- Cancer Services Program of the Finger Lakes
- National Kidney Foundation
- Monroe County's Office of Mental Health
- Common Ground Health
- Catholic Charities
- And more!



[www.sjncenter.org](http://www.sjncenter.org) | 585.325.5260

## HEALTH FOUNDATION NEWS

### Now Funding Community Events!

GREAT NEWS! After a brief pause, we're excited to announce that we've reopened our Community Event Fund!

Greater Rochester Health Foundation recognizes that engaging community events and fundraising events can forge meaningful connections between nonprofit organizations and the people they serve.



The Community Event Fund is open to Health Foundation grantees as well as other mission-aligned nonprofit organizations (with a current 501(c)(3) status) in our nine-county area of service, inclusive of Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates Counties.

Click [here](#) to learn more and apply for sponsorship.

**Photo caption: Creativity Shell Rochester students getting ready for the annual "Creativity Roc's" fashion show at Seabreeze Amusement Park.**



## PUBLIC HEALTH SPOTLIGHT

# Seneca County Health Department



This month we're featuring the [Seneca County Health Department](#) and the many ways the department focuses on protecting the health and safety of our community.

Browse the links below to find out more about upcoming events and services the department provides:

[News and Announcements](#)

[Programs and Services](#)

[Community Resources](#)

Community members may also download the Seneca County Resource Guide which provides contact information for the services and supports available to all. Download the full PDF guide [here](#).

### NEW YORK STATE CAN HELP YOU:

- PAY YOUR HEATING BILLS
- REPAIR OR REPLACE HEATING EQUIPMENT
- GET HELP IN A HEATING EMERGENCY
- WEATHERIZE YOUR HOME
- GET TIPS TO REDUCE HEATING COSTS

[NY.GOV/HEAT](https://www.ny.gov/heat)



### Recommended Resource: Helping New Yorkers Keep the Heat On

As we enter the winter months, New York State wants people to be aware of the various ways the State can help New Yorkers manage energy costs.

Eligible homeowners and renters may apply for the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), which can provide up to \$976 depending on income, household size and how they heat their home. A family of four may have a maximum gross monthly income of \$5,838 or an annual gross income of \$70,059 and still qualify for benefits — an increase from the previous year's

threshold.

Click [here](#) to find out if you or a loved one is eligible and apply for heating and utility assistance.

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## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

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### [FreshConnect CSA for SNAP Program](#)

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets is seeking applicants for the FreshConnect CSA for SNAP grant program. The FreshConnect CSA for SNAP program will provide funding to eligible organizations to partially subsidize the cost of CSA shares to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program participants. New York producers are eligible to receive up to 50% of the cost of a weekly share purchased by a SNAP recipient with their SNAP benefits through an awarded third-party applicant. A total of \$250,000 in funding is available through this Request for Applications. Applications may request a minimum of \$10,000 and a maximum of \$50,000.

### [Reaching Rural: Advancing Collaborative Solutions](#)

A one-year training and technical assistance initiative designed to help public safety and public health practitioners and other community stakeholders collaborate more effectively to address substance use and misuse in rural communities.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Application deadline: **Dec. 15, 2023**

Sponsors: Bureau of Justice Assistance, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, State Justice Institute, U.S. Department of Justice

### [Rural Health Network Development Planning Program](#)

Grants to promote the planning and development of integrated rural healthcare networks in order to achieve efficiencies; expand access to, coordinate, and improve the quality of essential healthcare services; and strengthen the rural healthcare system as a whole.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide and U.S. territories

Application deadline: **Jan. 26, 2024**

Sponsors: Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

### [Center for Sharing Public Health Services Technical Assistance](#)

Technical assistance for public health departments to help with cross-jurisdictional/resource sharing to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and equity of access of public health services.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: Center for Sharing Public Health Services

### [Tribal Health Program Support](#)

Technical assistance and training for tribes that provides public health information, advocacy tools, policy analysis, and health promotion and disease prevention programming with the goal of elevating the health status of tribal citizens.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Applications accepted on an ongoing basis

Sponsor: United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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Reminder: Local, statewide, and national health-related grant opportunities are posted weekly on the Greater Rochester Health Foundation [website](#).

## COMMUNITY BOARD



Join us for a  
**Celebration**  
of **Baden Street**

Featuring

- Shared celebration of the holidays
- Eastman School of Music Quartet
- School #9 students's performance
- Temple B'rith Kodesh children's performance

Saturday, December 2, 2023 | 2:00PM

Dr Martin Luther King Jr.  
School #9 485 N. Clinton Ave

Learn more at [badenstreet.org](http://badenstreet.org)

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**DR. YVETTE CONYERS, DNP, RN, FNP-C**

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**December**





**LAST TICKETS!!**  
¡Últimos tickets!

**LATINAS UNIDAS**

**Reconocimiento & Scholarships Awards**  
Pearl Anniversary  
1993 - 2023

**Saturday, December 2, 2023**  
Cocktail hour: 5 pm

**Get your tickets now  
before they are sold out!**

[www.LatinasUnidas.org](http://www.LatinasUnidas.org)

**SORRY,  
NO WALK-INS!**

**Deconstructing Ableism to Create a More Inclusive Community**

Panel Discussion with Disability Rights Activist Imani Barbarin

**FREE / LIMITED SPOTS**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, December 5  
6:00-8:00pm  
**WHERE:** Virtual Option or In-Person at: WXXI Studios  
280 State Street, Rochester

**CLICK HERE TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!**

PRESENTED BY:  **STARBRIDGE**  
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**WARNER SCHOOL OF EDUCATION UNIVERSITY-ROCHESTER**

**GENESEO School of Education**

**ST. JOHN FISHER UNIVERSITY**

**N.A.Z. SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

**SUNY BROCKPORT**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Saturday March 2nd, 2024**  
**3rd Annual Virtual Antiracist Education Conference**  
Brought to you by:  
The Antiracist Curriculum Project & local Schools of Education  
**Registration begins MLK Jr. Day!**

VIRTUAL 2024 ANTIRACIST EDUCATION CONFERENCE | 3.2.24

***Centered in equity, the mission of the Greater Rochester Health Foundation is to pursue and invest in solutions that build a healthier region where all people can thrive.***



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