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A Special Thanks to MPM’s friends for their recent gifts!
- The Curtis L. Carlson Family Foundation

What Do You Know About the Mentoring Effect...on Youth Participation and Leadership?
According to The Mentoring Effect: Young People’s Perspectives on the Outcomes and Availability of Mentoring, released by MENTOR earlier this year, at-risk youth with a mentor were more likely to report regular participation in sports, clubs or extracurricular activities at school, compared to those without a mentor (67% vs.

Registration OPEN for Cloquet & Maple Grove Conference Series Dates!
The conference series for the 15th Annual Minnesota Mentoring Conference Series, Going the Distance, continues this fall in Cloquet on September 22 and concludes in Maple Grove on October 20!

The September 22 conference will take place at the Cloquet Forestry Center. Read & Register...

The October 20 conference will take place at the Maple Grove Community Center. Read & Register...

JUST ADDED! Attending the Conference in Cloquet? Spend the night in Duluth and attend the full-day SAFE Training on September 23rd! 100% of attendees at the last SAFE Training said they would highly recommend it. You do not want to miss this! Read & Register...

NEW! Caffeinate & Concentrate
Date: Friday Mornings - 6/20/14, 7/11/14, 8/1/14,
37%), and were over twice as likely (51% vs. 22%) to have taken a leadership position in their activities. To learn more about the mentoring effect and other ways that mentoring is associated with positive outcomes for at-risk youth click HERE.

"To say that relationships are important... is like a blinding flash of the obvious." - Kent Pekel, President & CEO of Search Institute has been selected for the MENTOR National Mentoring Partnership's Board. Check out our interview with him highlighting his hopes for this partnership.

Read more...

Be a Voice for Mentoring
MPM invites Minnesota mentoring program staff to serve as advisors to our work and the mentoring movement through its Program Services Council (PSC). PSC members assess new initiatives and opportunities, provide strategic guidance to build support for mentoring, and develop resources to meet the needs of initiatives across our state. MPM seeks participation from diverse mentoring program types and all regions of Minnesota, and values having a range of expertise and experience represented in the PSC. Members commit to two year terms and attendance at quarterly meetings; options for either in-person or remote meeting participation are provided.

Program Services Council nominations for 2014 - 2016 terms are open now through June 30th.

Learn more....

Training Calendar
For a schedule of all MPM trainings and events, check

9/5/14, 10/3/14, and 12/5/14
Time: 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Location: The Commons at The Banks Building, 615 First Ave. Northeast, Ste. 125, Minneapolis, MN 55413
Cost: FREE. Bagels & coffee provided.

Caffeinate and Concentrate is an opportunity for program staff from all types of programs at any level of expertise to come to an open space and dedicate work time towards specific projects that address current program needs, digging deep into areas that need attention. Show up with work to be accomplished, confer with other mentoring program staff, get additional support and resources from our staff, and prepare to make some progress on your important projects!

Read & Register....

NEW! The Impact Exchange

"Marque brought up a conversation we are often afraid to have or don't have a safe outlet to stumble through what we are thinking. It provided us with a language and a historical framework to have these conversations."

- May 14th Impact Exchange Participant

Date: June 11, 2014 - Occurs the second Wednesday of every month
Time: 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Location: The Banks Building, 615 First Ave. Northeast, First Floor Boardroom, Minneapolis MN 55413
Cost: $10 per session or $60 for the full series of eight sessions. Free parking.

Click to view Marque Jensen speaking about "Identity Matters," the next session in "The Impact Exchange."

The Impact Exchange is an inclusive space for
out the MPM Event Calendar. It also lists trainings from other great organizations like MENTOR, MAVA, MNYWI, HandsOn Twin Cities, YIPA and more.

Training Institute
To learn more about the Training Institute's resources and services, or to schedule a consultation, contact us at (612) 399-0229 or email traininginstitute@mpmn.org.

Read more....

Training Quality Mentors
Praise for Training Quality Mentors!

"[Your trainer] was absolutely fabulous! I felt things moved at a comfortable pace, she mixed it up with activities to have all participants get to know each other and learn from one another. She brought some great things to light on how to train mentors and volunteers. The whole day was informative and presented in a fun way. Thanks so much!"

Date: Thursday, June 19, 2014
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Location: Phillips Family Foundation of Minnesota, 615 First Ave. Northeast, Ste. 330, Minneapolis, MN 55413
Cost: $75 per participant - includes lunch, snacks & beverages, free parking, and materials

The Training Quality Mentors workshop is designed to prepare mentoring program staff and volunteer coordinators of any level to deliver effective training for their mentors. Participants will come away with the suggested content to include in the training based on Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring™. In addition, the workshop will examine the best training tactics based on how adults learn and internalize new information. The training will be very interactive and time will be provided for people to practice new training methods and support their colleagues as they do the same.
One of the more complicated aspects of running a youth mentoring program is figuring out how and when to engage parents and other family members. Parents can play a crucial role in supporting the relationship between a mentor and mentee, but programs often struggle to facilitate their authentic engagement and define parent roles and responsibilities. Some programs offer a wealth of services and supports to parents to nurture their engagement, while other programs don’t ask parents for much beyond just allowing their child to participate. Join us on as we explore strategies for family engagement in mentoring programs.

Read & Register....