



# AN INTRODUCTION



*Unleashing the connective power of communities to build their own futures*

## Who We Are

Metropolitan Alliance of Connected Communities (MACC) is a strategic partnership of Twin Cities human service organizations that are leveraging their collective resources and voices to benefit the communities they serve.

MACC helps its member organizations strengthen their responses to community needs by encouraging leaders to work collaboratively, leading organizational and staff development efforts, and providing opportunities for networking and information-sharing.

MACC was formed in 1999 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Members include almost 20 organizations that employ nearly 1,000 people, with combined annual operating expenditures of approximately \$65 million.

## Who We Serve

MACC members serve more than 206,000 people annually.

- ◆ 85% are low-income
- ◆ 70% are people of color
- ◆ Approximately 35% are new Americans or recent immigrations
- ◆ More than one dozen languages are spoken

## Our Values

- ◆ People are assets
- ◆ Broad, holistic, community-based services are critical
- ◆ Long-term relationships are beneficial
- ◆ Participation from the community is crucial
- ◆ Everyone has a contribution to make
- ◆ We build reciprocal relationships
- ◆ Inclusiveness is essential for healthy communities

## Our Goals

- ◆ Foster far-reaching strategic partnerships among MACC member organizations
- ◆ Create innovations among nonprofits and across sectors for sustainable community organizations
- ◆ Provide a network of wisdom, practical experience and support for current and next generation collaborative leaders
- ◆ Maintain a flexible, inclusive alliance that offers meaningful connections and professional development at all levels of member organizations
- ◆ Leverage MACC network talent and resources to attract interest and support for projects

## Member Benefits

MACC is a member-controlled alliance of nonprofits that drives its own agenda

MACC members learn from others in the alliance: they look to one another for innovative ideas, information, and networking opportunities. Member organization CEOs meet regularly to discuss trends, challenges, and future opportunities.

MACC provides organizational, staff and program development opportunities that might otherwise be out of reach for individual members by offering an array of leadership and staff training opportunities, and collaborative affinity teams.

MACC membership also includes membership in United Neighborhood Centers of America (UNCA); collaboration with Aramark Corporation; and a partnership with Public Allies, a national movement with the mission to advance new leadership to strengthen communities, nonprofits, and civic participation.

## Member Organizations

Annex Teen Clinic  
Asian Women United of Minnesota (AWUM)  
Community Emergency Assistance Program (CEAP)  
Community Mediation Services, Inc.  
The Confederation of Somali Community in Minnesota  
East Side Neighborhood Services Emerge  
The Family Partnership  
Genesis II for Families  
Hennepin County Dept. of Human Services & Public Health  
Keystone Community Services LDA Minnesota  
The Link  
Merrick Community Services  
Neighborhood House/Wellstone Center for Community Building  
Phyllis Wheatley Community Center  
Pillsbury United Communities  
Plymouth Christian Youth Center  
Sabathani Community Center  
West Seventh Community Center

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