



In the Community, March 10, 2021

A Weekly Listing of Diversity and Multicultural Events
From the Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony:
 “Diversity, Unity, and Justice Are at the Heart of ACEH”

ACEH was founded in Holland in 1999 and is committed to justice, equal opportunity, cross-cultural understanding, and appreciation for diversity. Members work together to make West Michigan a place where all people are welcomed and respected. “In the Community” is also on the ACEH website www.harmonyalliance.org Check us out under Groups on Facebook, at ACEH – Alliance for Cultural and Ethnic Harmony. Our **“Half-Year Annual Report: Looking Back and Moving Forward”** is available at [ACEH Report](#).

Dear Readers, your financial support will help us publish “In the Community” next year, provide various kinds of resources, present programs, and--we hope--host our two diverse community gatherings that create connections and friendships in West Michigan. Will you join us as a first-time member? We'll warmly welcome you! If you've been a member in the past, will you consider renewing with ACEH? We would greatly appreciate it.

Dues are \$20 (\$35 for 2 years) for an individual; \$30 (\$50 for two years) for a couple or family; \$40 for a nonprofit group, and \$75 for a business. ACEH is a 501(c)3 organization. Please go to www.harmonyalliance.org and click on Membership.

A warm ACEH welcome to new members **Mark** and **Amy Kornelis** and **Kamara Sudberry** and thank you to **Bill** and **Maura Reynolds** for their donation to ACEH!

Congratulations to ACEH member **Lyn Raymond**, recently named to the Michigan Statewide Housing Plan Partner Advisory Council--a group of housing experts and partners dedicated to bettering the state housing system. The Council was assembled by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority. Lyn has been director of Greater Ottawa County United Way's Lakeshore Housing Alliance for a dozen years and represents the Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness on the Council.

Many thanks to the health care and science professionals who were panelists at the February 21 ACEH event **“Exploring Vaccine Skepticism with the Black Community”**: **Gerald Griffin, Ph.D.**; **Alethia Johnson, MSN**; **Peter Knoester, MD**; **Derik Chia, MPH**, and host **Viola Jackson**. Lots of thought-provoking and valuable information shared and questions answered.

The program was recorded by our partner, the Holland Museum, and is available on its YouTube channel: Check it out: [Here's the link to view the program](#)

NOTE: March 21 program, the third in our series **“Racial Disparities in Health Care: Digging Deeper”** has been postponed until a date in April (TBD).

ACEH president C. J. Kingdom-Grier recently was interviewed by Carolyn Monahan, director of marketing and communication for the Michigan West Coast Chamber of Commerce, on the topic "How Can Businesses Promote Workplace Inclusivity in an Authentic Way?" He is CEO of Kingdom-Grier & Associates and a nationally certified diversity trainer. [Click here to listen in on the discussion.](#)

Events

TONIGHT, Wed, March 10, 7 pm: Webinar: Community Action for Reform & Equity (CARE).

Community forum and organizing meeting for people living and working in Holland "who want to bring accountability to the practices of policing in our community." Members of CARE will introduce the coalition's mission, followed by group discussions for attendees to share their own stories, perspectives, and experiences. The coalition seeks to provide a space to "identify common problems and begin to build the relationships necessary to solve them." A Zoom link will be sent to those who sign up [Here](#).

Thurs, March 18, 6 pm to 7 pm: "Fair Housing Five and the Haunted House." Virtual family program--a reading and discussion of this children's book (read in English by Bree Miranda of the Fair Housing Center of West Michigan and in Spanish by Brisa Martinez-Contreras, a Holland High School senior). A complimentary copy of the book and a coloring activity will be mailed to people who register by March 10; People registering after March 10 may pick up a book at the Museum (31 West 10th St, Holland) on March 12, 13, or 15 between 10 am and 5 pm, while supplies last. The book tells the story of five children "who take action in response to a landlord who is discriminating in their neighborhood." Free, but donations appreciated. [Register here.](#)

Sunday, March 21: ACEH program on "Exploring Vaccine Skepticism in the Hispanic/Latinx Community" has been postponed to a date in April (TBD). More information will be in upcoming emails from "In the Community."

Mon, March 22, 1:30 pm to 3 pm: 2021 Leonard F. Stoutemire Lecture in Multicultural Ministry:

Speaker is Jemar Tisby, best-selling author of "How to Talk about Racism" and "The Color of Compromise" and president/co-founder of The Witness: A Black Christian Collective. Hosted by Western Theological Seminary. The in-person event will be limited to WTS students and employees due to COVID-19 building restrictions, but an online livestream will be available for the wider community. [Check back here for registration details](#)

Mon, March 22, 6:30 pm: Town Hall Meeting on Race and Racism. The Justice System, Part 2:

"Race and Incarceration." Virtual event hosted by the Momentum Center Anti-Racism Task Force. [Register here to have the link sent to you.](#)

Links to Anti-Racism, Race & Ethnicity Resources

The Black community and vaccines. [Tuskegee is not the top reason. Read more here](#)

Racial & ethnic gaps in U.S. persist on 8 key demographic indicators (click on each box in the study) [Click here for Pew Research study.](#)

The \$16-billion cost of racism in the U.S. [Click here for the link.](#)

White parents of Black children: a call to action. [Here's the link.](#)

13 microaggressions Black people deal with all the time: [Click here for the link.](#)

Austin Channing Brown asks: Dear Nice White People: What are you afraid of? [Here's the link](#)

"What, me racist?" Your intentions are not the point: Tim Wise. [Click here](#)

Learning to stop performing anti-racism and begin living it. [Click here for the link.](#)

"Not racist" is not enough: Putting in the work to be anti-racist. [Click here for the link.](#)

Organizational racism: why unconscious bias training won't fix it. [Click here for the link.](#)

158 articles, videos, podcasts, and websites for understanding systemic racism, compiled by the Smithsonian Institution: [Click here for link to Smithsonian resources.](#)

Latinx stories for young readers: [Click here for the link](#)

Someone's telling a racist "joke"; what will you do? <https://www.upworthy.com/white-person-shares-two-lessons-from-stopping-a-racist-joke>

Things that white people say that highlight their white privilege: [Click here for the link.](#)

Series of YouTube videos "Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man" hosted by Emmanuel Acho, who discusses race with various guests and answers viewer questions. [Here's the link.](#)

The Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia: Take a virtual tour of collections and resources in this outstanding museum, located in Big Rapids, MI at Ferris State University. www.ferris.edu/jimcrow

Help with Evictions/Foreclosures/Buying a Home

<https://www.goodsamministries.com/wp-content/uploads/EDP-Tenant-Application.pdf>

<https://www.communityactionhouse.org/foreclosure-intervention>

<https://www.cityofholland.com/249/Tenant-Landlord-Fair-Housing-Information>

State-funded program may lower down payment, closing costs for some local homebuyers: [Click here for the link.](#)

County and Local Pandemic Links and Resources

West Michigan: FAQ re vaccines & availability. [Click here for the link.](#)

[Click](#) for more information about COVID-19 and Ottawa County's Response.

[Click here for the link.](#) **Daily updates from Ottawa Co. Dept of Public Health;** links to info about cases; resources for issues, including domestic violence. In English and in español.

Locations to find food: [Click here for the link.](#)

Mental Health Resources and Support: Organizations providing behavioral health services during the COVID-19 pandemic throughout Ottawa Co. Visit miottawa.org/cmh :

State Health Data, Governor's Info

Cornonavirus dashboard: cases, deaths, maps. [Click here for the link.](#)

Governor's executive orders: https://www.michigan.gov/whitmer/0,9309,7-387-90499_90705---,00.html

<https://www.bridgemi.com/michigan-health-watch/coronavirus-tracker-what-michigan-needs-know-now>

Links to where families can get food, cash, internet; coronavirus Q&A; unemployment benefits; testing for coronavirus; where kids can get meals.

For additional **help locating food, housing, childcare,** and other community services, call 2-1-1 at (844) 587-2485 or visit www.mi211.org.

If you are feeling anxious or looking for **mental health and wellness resources,** visit www.Michigan.gov/StayWell for hotlines, texting resources, and mindfulness tools.

The state's response and community mitigation strategies: www.michigan.gov/coronavirus

National

The COVID-19 global outbreak situation at www.cdc.gov/COVID19

Jobs

West Michigan Works! <https://jobs.westmiworks.org/weekly-hot-jobs/>

Pure Michigan Talent Connect: <https://www.mitalent.org/find-a-job>

Holland Sentinel employment ads: www.hollandsentinel.jobs

Michigan Works! <https://jobs.westmiworks.org/weekly-hot-jobs/> info@westmichiganworks.org

Workforce Employment Specialists: Virtual hiring events: www.teamworkforce.com or (616) 396-3700.

Boys and Girls Club of Greater Holland: <https://bgch.org/> Click on About and the various Staff buttons, then "We're Hiring." Resource development director. Teen Program Assistant, part-time. Junior Room Coordinator, Junior Room Program Assistant, Elementary Program Coordinator, Health & PE Coordinator, Elementary Program Assistant, Youth Development Professional Sub..

Community Action House: <http://www.communityactionhouse.com/jobs> Program development specialist (financial wellness). Outreach specialist. Staffing reserve associate.

Evergreen Commons: Data systems coordinator. Director of development. [Use this link and click on Careers](#)

Global Battery Solutions: Entry-level position, supporting office and shipping/receiving. Send email to khunter@globalbatterysolutions.com

Good Samaritan Ministries: <https://www.goodsamministries.com/get-involved/jobs/> Housing resource navigator. Housing case manager. Eviction response specialist. Front desk receptionist, bilingual (English/Spanish).

Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce: <https://www.grandrapids.org/your-chamber/join-our-team/> Inclusion program manager.

City of Grand Rapids: <https://www.grandrapidsmi.gov/Jobs> Assistant planning director. Administrative aide-Our Community's Children. Youth services manager - Librarian III. Library assistant (Adult Services), part-time.

Grand Rapids Public Schools. [Click here for the link.](#) Art teacher, shared-time program. Other job openings.

Grand Valley State University: <https://www.gvsu.edu/jobs.htm> Associate vice-president, Human Resources and Chief Human Resources Officer. Employee Ombuds Officer. IT services technician. Recruiter, Adult and Continuing Studies. Farm manager/educator for Office of Sustainability Practices. Custodian.

Haworth: <https://www.haworth.com/na/en/careers.html> Benefit analyst II. Other job openings.

Herman Miller: <https://www.hermanmiller.com/careers/> Web producer. Customer engagement specialist - eCommerce. CMF design director. Marketing specialist - Ancillary/Lifestyle. Group product manager.

Herrick District Library: <https://herrickdl.org/content/jobs-hdl>

Hispanic Center of Western Michigan: <https://hispanic-center.org/> Community outreach specialist.

Holland Charter Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us Clerk's assistant/public information coordinator, (20-24 hrs/wk). Treasurer/assessor assistant, full-time.

City of Holland: <https://mi-holland.civicplushrms.com/careers/Jobs.aspx> Staff engineer. Matt Urban recreation program assistant (Mon-Thurs, early April-August). Property data field collector. Police cadet. Grounds & maintenance assistant, Windmill Island Gardens. Swimming pool supervisor. Lead swim instructor. Lifeguard. Windmill Island Gardens Tulip Time help. Seasonal: summer road crew. Housing inspector I. Mowing crew leader. Mowing crew member. Sustainability manager. Police desk assistant, 3rd shift. Parks general maintenance, seasonal, full time and part-time positions. Horticultural internship. Building inspector, part-time. On-call firefighter. Softball coordinator, part-time. Sports complex operations internships, weekend. Recreation internship. School crossing guard. Police officer. Recreation assistant. Wrestling instructor, part-time. Youth basketball instructor, part-time. Mechanic assistant. Building inspector, part-time. Plumbing and mechanical inspector, full time. Recreation

supervisor. Video internship, part-time, paid. Custodian/maintenance for Holland Police Dept, part-time. Police officer. Reserve police officer, part-time. On-call firefighter.

Holland Hospital: www.hollandhospital.org Diabetes care & education specialist.

Holland Museum: <https://hollandmuseum.org/> Education and volunteer coordinator, full-time.

Holland Public Schools: <https://hollandpublicschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>

Holland Township: www.hct.holland.mi.us

Hope College: <https://hope.edu/jobs/index.html> Senior philanthropy advisor, Natural & Applied Sciences. Director of biology laboratories. Physical plant project manager. Explore Hope academic outreach--summer staff. CASA summer teacher. CASA - summer teaching assistant. Admissions representative. Admissions - associate director. Employment coordinator, human resources. Coordinator of student life. Resident director. Residential life coordinator. Executive director, Children's After-school Achievement (CASA) program. Bookstore--sales specialist/buyer, part-time. Step-Up interim program coordinator. Custodian, full-time. Assistant football coach and equipment supervisor.

Innocademy: <https://innocademy.com/careers/> Middle-school Spanish language arts teacher, part-time. Middle-school English teacher, part-time. Middle school mentor.

Lakeshore Nonprofit Alliance: <http://lakeshorenonprofits.org/programs-and-services/nonprofit-job-postings>. Job openings at local nonprofits.

Legal Aid of Western Michigan: <https://lawestmi.org/careers/> Legal assistant. Lakeshore intake attorney. COVID Fellowship. (Spanish speakers).

LG Chem: <https://lgenergy.com/> Thirty+ job openings in Holland, including summer internships 2021.

LIFELine Ministries: Information on available restaurant, factory, sales, and office jobs in West Michigan. Contact Pastor Willie J. Watt Jr. at williewatt@gmail.com or (616) 335-061

Momentum Center, Grand Haven: https://www.momentumcentergh.org/careers?blm_aid=1527810 Fund development manager.

Ottawa Area Intermediate School District: <https://www.oaisd.org/> Payroll coordinator, full-time, benefits.

Ottawa County: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/miottawa> Parks & Recreation seasonal positions: grounds attendant, maintenance crew worker, park attendant, stewardship case worker, parks supervisor (full-time); parks located in Holland, Grand Haven, Ferrysburg, Spring Lake, West Olive, Jenison, and Casnovia. Appraiser 1. Assistant public defender. Intern: elections.

Resilience: Advocates for Ending Violence (formerly Center for Women in Transition); www.resilienceMI.org Click on "About Us" for job information. Men as Allies coordinator.

Saugatuck Center for the Arts: <https://www.sc4a.org/arts-outreach-liaison/> Arts outreach liaison, part-time; must be bilingual.

Spectrum Health (Zeeland): <https://www.spectrumhealth.org/careers>

State of Michigan: <https://www.indeed.com/q-State-of-Michigan-l-Ottawa-County,-MI-jobs.html>

Zeeland Public Schools: <https://www.zps.org/employment/>

The ACEH Board: *C.J. Kingdom-Grier, Viola Jackson, Annette Manwell, Al Minert, H Bin Lim, Kim Lillibridge, Natalie Martinez, Lori Joseph Shaw.*

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