



April 2021

April is Fair Housing Month

This month we have two programs on housing, one on discrimination, one on tiny homes. We are also sharing a link to last month's program on Homelessness in the suburbs.



One critical element to fair housing solutions is our local zoning laws. The City of Roseville is just starting a project to update the City's Zoning Code, which is the part of the City Code that contains the land use and building requirements that affect all properties. In their announcement of the project they said "As you may be aware, Roseville's City Council has made a commitment to creating an inclusive community where one's experiences and outcomes are not based on race or ethnicity. The City recognizes that past actions, including zoning, have created racial disparities that continue to impact Roseville's residents and businesses".

It is our job to be involved and hold the City accountable. More information about the Zoning Code Update Project and opportunities to provide online input can be found at [Zoning Code Update | Roseville, MN - Official Website](#)

**In Case You Missed It:
Homeless in the Suburbs**

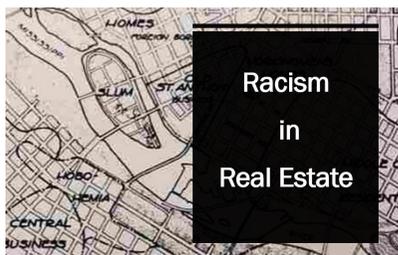
On February 25th we hosted a program "Homeless in the Suburbs" with Nine-North. In the program we learned that homelessness is not just the encampments we see in Minneapolis and St. Paul, it exists here in the suburbs as well.



It affects children as well as adults, and it impacts can last a lifetime. Listen to two experts in our community:

Michelle Decker Gerrard is a Senior Research Manager & Director MN Homeless study for Wilder Research. The statewide study is conducted every three years so Michelle provides the long-term perspective. Michael Stanefski is a lead social worker from Roseville Area Schools, who helps coordinate the McKinney-Vento services for students. Michael discusses student homelessness.

View the program on the NineNorth website: [Homeless in the Suburbs - Nine North](#)



Racism in Real Estate

Thursday, April 1, 2021

6:00—8:00 pm (via Zoom)

Registration required: <https://tinyurl.com/yc492jr4>

This class, created by the Mapping Prejudice project, explores structural racism and the racial wealth gap as it applies to housing. We'll consider the role of the real estate industry in the history of racial housing discrimination and the consequences of these policies on housing equity today.

Presented by Rethos: Places Reimagined. Hosted by City of Shoreview Human Rights Commission, Ramsey County Library and Do Good Roseville.



Tour of Tiny Homes Sacred Settlement

Friday, April 16, 2021

4:30—5:30 pm

Woodland Hills Church in Maplewood
1740 Van Dyke St., St. Paul, MN 55109

Register here: https://settled.org/sacred_settlement/model/

Sacred Settlements are an innovative, research-based way to address long-term homelessness by developing holistic tiny home communities in cooperation with a faith community. Some of our local faith communities, including New Life Presbyterian and Prince of Peace Lutheran, have expressed interest in supporting tiny homes projects.

In a tiny home community, each resident has their own tiny home, and as a whole, the community shares facilities and amenities such as kitchen and dining spaces, bathrooms, laundry, gardens, workshops, and gathering areas. The land is managed by a religious or social organization to maintain standards for safety and welfare. Specially-trained missional-neighbors live in the settlement and work with all the members to ensure that the settlement is healthy and thriving. A team of advocate-befrienders wrap around each inhabitant coming off the streets to build trusted relationships, walk alongside them as they journey to meet their life goals, and connect them with valuable support services.

Settled (Settled.org) is unveiling the nation's first model Sacred Settlement. A demonstration of five unoccupied tiny homes, a greenhouse, and a common gathering area are available for tour at Woodland Hills Church in Maplewood to bring awareness to a *community-first* approach to ending chronic homelessness. The one-hour tour begins with an exclusive screening of an 11-minute documentary of this movement, followed by a walking tour of the homes, and plans to bring about the first occupied Sacred Settlement. *Health safeguards in place.*

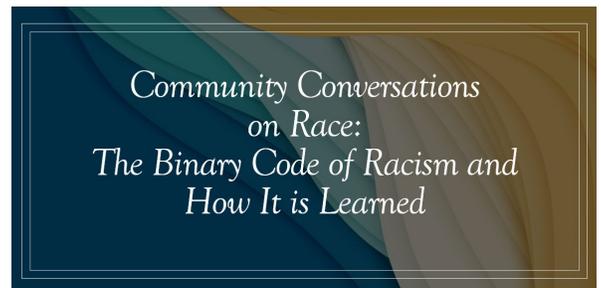
Community Conversation on Race:

**The Binary Code of Racism
and How It Is Learned**

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Registration required at:

<https://tinyurl.com/5hexyn48>



Join us for the conversation in this series! Having conversations about Race provides participants with the opportunity to learn about a topic, enhanced by the personal experiences and perceptions of the groups. This discussion series will base the conversations on a video or article related to the topic, followed by small group discussions.

On Thursday, April 8, the discussion will be based on The Binary Code of Racism and How It is Learned. The material will delve into how our racial history and biases are passed on to new generations and are reflected in our behavior.

Registration is required at <https://tinyurl.com/5hexyn48>. You will receive an email with pre-work (readings and/or video viewings, about one hour) about a week before the discussion. This discussion-based program will not be recorded.

Presented in partnership with Do Good Roseville and the City of Shoreview/Shoreview Human Rights Commission and the Ramsey County Library.



Kite Flying Day in the Park

Saturday, April 24

10 am to 12 pm

Central Park Victoria Ballfields

2490 Victoria Street North

It's time to get outside and have some fun! Bring your family and friends to rediscover a forgotten pastime, kite flying! Feel free to bring your own kite, or kids can receive a free kite. Let's fill the spring sky with kites!

The event is free and outdoors, but due to covid and kite supplies, *you need to register at: <https://tinyurl.com/5ftpwyjn>*. In case of inclement weather, call the weather line for updates: 651-792-7417

North Suburban Kiwanis is providing the kites! The event is hosted by Roseville Parks and Recreation, Kiwanis and Do Good Roseville.



Volunteer Together

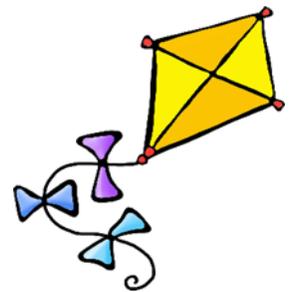
Kite Flying Day in the Park

Saturday, April 24

9:30 to 12 pm

Central Park Victoria Ballfields

2490 Victoria Street North



After a long hiatus for the pandemic, we're looking forward to having some group volunteer events again! Our first chance will be at our Kite Flying Day at the Park. We need help registering kids and handing out kites and making them fly worthy, then we need some kite flying experts to help get the kites in the air!

Please help us out! To volunteer, please contact Rachel Boggs, the Volunteer Coordinator for the City of Roseville at Rachel.Boggs@CityOfRoseville.com or 651-792-7028



Supporting local restaurants!

We're making a change this month. Rather than pick a day, we'll suggest a restaurant each week.

In light of the killings in Atlanta last week, we want to focus our attention on supporting our Asian American businesses. For that reason, this month all of the restaurant selections will be from a country in Asia. We love that doing this shows the diversity that makes up 'Asian Americans'. Thank you for your support of these restaurants.

To find other local restaurants, and other Asian American restaurants, please see our website: [MN Owned Roseville Area Restaurants – Do Good Roseville](#)



India Palace

2570 Cleveland Ave. No., Roseville
Indianpalacemn.com
 651-631-1222

Featured: March 28 to April 3

India Palace offers a very unique taste of Indian Food. They bring quality South and North Indian food such as Pani Pouri, Dahi Pouri and Aloo Chat Papadi and many Dishes such as these are initially unheard of in the majority of people, though they are very popular in India and some high-end restaurants. It is the first Indian restaurant to experiment and come up successfully with vegetarian dishes made in authentic Indian style.

Karta Thai

1889 Perimeter Drive. Roseville
Kartathai.com
 651-756-7173



Featured: April 4 to 10

Karta is one of the most important cookware in any kitchen, especially a Thai kitchen. It means pan, saucepan, frying pan, skillet or wok. It's an instrument used to stir fry all of the ingredients together.



Khan's Mongolian BBQ

2720 Snelling Ave., Roseville
Khansmongolianbbqmn.com
 651-631-3398

Featured: April 11 to 17

Khan's Mongolian BBQ has been proudly serving customers for over 33 years! From the beginning we have focused on fresh ingredients, authentic flavors, and bringing people together. Khan's prides itself on hand making all of our sauces, and Mama Khan is always coming up with new recipes to delight our patrons. In our 33 years of business we have never added MSG or Cornstarch to any of our dishes. Khan's always wants to emphasize a flavorful and healthy dining experience.

Kyoto Sushi

2100 Snelling Ave (at Har Mar), Roseville
Kyotoroseville.com
 651-636-5888



Featured: April 18 to 24

The Kyoto Japanese Restaurant is known for serving all your favorite Japanese dishes, including California Roll, Sweet Potato Roll, Tempura Udon, Unagi Don, Hibachi Steak, etc.

Kyoto is hands-down the best sushi and hibachi value in the metro area. It's one of the first indications that Minnesota sushi restaurants are starting to compete with each other on price points, which is great news for those of us who would love to stuff our faces with raw fish daily. The all-you-can-eat lunch and dinner buffets are inexpensive and include everything from super white tuna nigiri and rainbow rolls to soba noodle soups and salmon teriyaki rice. We suggest you enjoy this place before they realize they are essentially giving their sushi away.

Szechuan

2193 Snelling Ave. N., Roseville
Szechuanmn.com
 651-633-3113



Featured: April 25 to May 1

Szechuan in Roseville offers one of the largest varieties of authentic Szechuan food in the Twin Cities. We strive to bring you quality dishes, all prepared with adherence to Szechuan preparation techniques. While Szechuan cuisine is known for its spicy dishes, we also offer non-spicy and mild entrees to suit any palate! By using top quality ingredients and spices, we hope to provide your taste buds with an experience that won't be soon forgotten.

Introducing Other Organizations "Doing Good" in Our Community

We know there are lots of amazing groups and organizations doing great things in our community. Starting this month we will begin featuring them here. We start this month with Resilient Roseville!



Resilient Roseville

Resilient Roseville is a local group of activists committed to combatting climate change and working toward a sustainable, resilient, and environmentally educated community. Roseville's 2040 Comprehensive Plan is one of our main foundations for action. We meet monthly and offer input as appropriate at city council and commission meetings to further these goals.

On February 22, we cohosted the well-attended Climate Change and Forests in Minnesota: Alternative Futures program by Dr. Lee Frelich through the Roseville public library. Stay tuned for more on how we can protect our urban forests! We also recently encouraged green energy initiatives including solar at the new Fairview Community Center.

Please like our Facebook page ([Resilient Roseville | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/ResilientRoseville)) and contact us to learn more or collaborate with our group. You can reach us at resilientroseville@gmail.com. All voices are welcome.

Links to Explore Roseville's 2040 Comprehensive Plan: <https://www.cityofroseville.com/3005/2040-Comprehensive-Plan>

Roseville Climate Adaptation Framework: <http://www.cityofroseville.com/DocumentCenter/View/25836/Vulnerable-Populations-Report?bidId=>

Climate Change and Forests in Minnesota: Alternative Futures program: <https://my.nicheacademy.com/rcladult/course/26047>

Tree planting tips: <https://extension.umn.edu/how/planting-and-transplanting-trees-and-shrubs>
<https://extension.umn.edu/tree-selection-and-care/recommended-trees-minnesota>

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