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# SUSAN G. KOMEN OPENS NEW RESOURCE CENTER IN AMANI

Conversations with Komen, presented Conversations with Komen, presented by Kohl's, kicked-off a new initiative in Amani on Tuesday June 5th. Komen Corner - A Resource Center opened inside the COA Goldin Center at 2320 West Burleigh Street in Milwaukee's Amani neighborhood. This event included the ribbon cutting ceremony with representatives from Susan G. Komen Wisconsin and COA Youth & Family Centers. Guests were also invited to watch a cooking demonstration lead by local chef, Caroline Carter, owner of Caroline's Raw Creations. Carter demonstrated how to incorporate healthy foods into an easy to prepare meal.

The goal of the Komen Corner is to address breast cancer health disparities in Milwaukee area communities and create a safe place where local women can walk in and get breast health information, FREE screening information and access to cancer services as needed.

The Komen Corner will also have volunteer leaders there to assist women in the community and share personal testimonies around breast cancer, screening and diagnosis. "The Komen Corner is a warm, welcoming place for the community to access education about breast health, resources for getting screened and learning ways to live a healthy lifestyle," said Amberlea Childs, Program Manager for Conversations with Komen.

by Kohl's, The Komen Corner – A Resource Center is a designated home for Conversations with Komen, a program by Susan G. Komen Wisconsin. The program encourages participants to openly discuss breast health, the importance of breast selfawareness and regular breast screenings. The Komen Corner— A Resource Center will be staffed by Cetonia Weston-Roy, Program Assistant for Komen Conversations presented by Kohl's.

In the months to come, Komen Corner will host Conversations and other events to promote a healthy lifestyle such as cooking demonstrations, fitness and gardening classes. The corner will also serve as a resource for the community to learn about breast health and act as a community connection to find information about where and how to get screened — as well as where and how to get free screenings. Komen Corner will also be a place for breast cancer survivors to come together for support.

To obtain images of the Komen Corner or arrange interviews, please contact Ashley Kast at 262.523.3900 or ashleyk@z2marketing.com. For more information about the Komen Corner or the Conversations with Komen program, please visit www.conversationswithkomen.org.









## **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**

#### **JUNE**

June 8 - Community Fun Night Goldin Gym, 2320 W. Burleigh
June 9 - Where is the Love Event, 12-3PM, Moody Park
June 9 - Saturday Food Pantry, 9:30-11:30am, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh
June 18 - August 24 - COA Summer Day Camp Program
June 18 - August 24 - Summer Meal Program, M - F, 12 - 1 PM & 3 - 4 PM, Moody Park

June 23 - August 24 - Summer Meal Program, M - F, 12 - 1 PM & 3 - 4 PM, Moody Park

June 22 - Community Garden Party, Moody Park

June 23 - Amani UN Leaded Event 11 - 2PM, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh

June 23 - Saturday Food Pantry, 9:30 - 11:30 pm, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh June 26 - Amani United - 4th Tuesday each month, 4:30 pm. COA Goldin/NOVA Library, 2320 W. Burleigh Every Wednesday - COA Food Pantry, 4 - 6 pm, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh

#### **JULY**

July 2 - Amani Safety Meeting – First Monday each month, 4:00 pm, COA Goldin/NOVA Library 2320 W. Burleigh July 4 - COA CLOSED

July 7 - Amani – First Saturday Meeting, 8:30 am, Dominican Center, 2470 W. Locust ST.
 July 14 - Saturday Food Pantry, 9:30 -11:30 am, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh
 July 15 - Hepatha Resource Fair

July 24 - Amani United, 4:30 pm, COA Goldin/NOVA Library 2320 W. Burleigh July 29 - Saturday Food Pantry, 9:30-11:30,am, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh Every Wednesday - COA Food Pantry, 4 - 6 pm, COA Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh

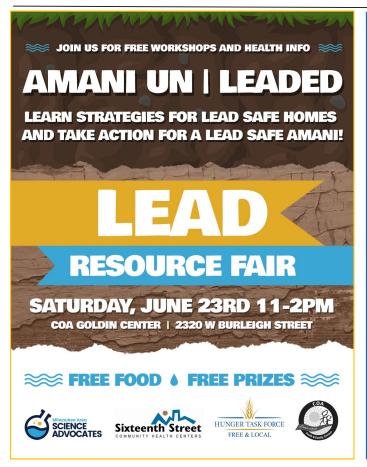
#### **AUGUST**

August 4 - Amani- First Saturday Meeting, 8:30am, Dominican Center, 2470 W. Locust St.

August 6 - Amani Safety - First Monday Meeting, 4:00 pm, COA Goldin/NOVA Library, 2320 W. Burleigh

August 23 - Amani United - Fourth Tuesday, 4:30 pm, COA Goldin/NOVA Library, 2320 W. Burleigh

August 17 - Amani Community Fun Night, Goldin Gym, 2320 W. Burleigh





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## DOMINICAN CENTER'S YOUTH IN ACTION



Dominican Center's Amani Youth in Action program is recruiting young people between the ages of 8-18 for summer clean ups in Amani. Learn gardening skills, participate in team building activities, and attend field trips throughout the year.

Clean ups take place every Saturday between July 7 and August 11, 2018 from 10:00AM – Noon. Parents are welcome to join us and lunch will be provided. Interested? Contact Octavia Parker at 414-444-9930 or octavia@dominicancenter.org.

# **SAFE & SOUND SUMMER**

Throughout the summer, Safe & Sound will continue its collaborative efforts with the COA Goldin Center. Every third Monday of the month, *Barbershop Mondays* will be held in COA Goldin's Teen room. There, men of various ages and backgrounds share experiences and learn from each other. Facilitated by organizer Damien Smith, the group goes from discussing various topics of the day, to in depth conversations of a sensitive nature.

Often the sessions are co-facilitated by guest community members. Milwaukee Bucks players, elected officials, law enforcement, as well as other influential men, have all participated. Attendees receive free grooming in exchange for engaging conversation and community service when called upon. Please join us and tell a friend! Contact Damien Smith, youth organizer, for more information at 414-788-8085, Damien@safesound.org.

### 53206 DRUG-FREE COMMUNITIES PROJECT

SAFE & SOUND

The 53206 Drug-Free Communities project will be collaborating with the COA Goldin Center and other youth centers to do youth engagement projects and help develop young leaders. We will be working with youth to do projects that will not only improve the community, but also give youth opportunities to build resiliency. Research shows that youth who are resilient are more likely to succeed and less likely to have mental health or drug problems, and there are several ways to build these skills. The Center for the Study of Social Policy has done research that suggests ways to become more resilient for youth.

- Provide opportunities for productive decision-making and constructive engagement in their family, community, school, and other social institutions,
- Encourage adolescent voice, choice and personal responsibility,
- Promote the development of selfregulation, self-reflection, self-confidence, self-compassion and character,
- Engage in positive risk-taking,

- Build and sustain health relationships with peers and adults, and
- Deepen cultural knowledge.



The 53206 Drug-Free Communities project will help youth build resiliency to succeed in life. Some of these activities include workshops, games, community service, and group conversations to provide the opportunity for youth to speak out and meaningfully share their opinion. These groups are meeting at local youth centers in and around 53206. The youth centers will help in providing young people the chance to build resiliency skills and change their community.

For more information contact John Eshun, Drug Free Communities Coordinator, Public Policy Institute - Community Advocates, <a href="mailto:eshun@communityadvocates.net">eshun@communityadvocates.net</a> (414) 270-4659.

### HOW TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD AT A MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Families looking to enroll for the upcoming 2018-19 school year may apply online at: <a href="www.mpsmke.com/EnrollMPS">www.mpsmke.com/EnrollMPS</a> or by visiting MPS Central Services or the MPS Welcome Centers located at Obama School of Career and Technical Education and South Division High School. Use our Find a School database on our website to learn more about our schools before you apply.

Once you've selected the appropriate school for your child, you are ready to begin the enrollment process! It's important to note that some schools do not use the online process; some schools use early admissions and some charter and partnership schools require students to enroll on-site or through assignment from Central Services.

### The Amani Neighborhood has the following MPS Schools their neighborhood:

Auer Avenue 2319 West Auer Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53206 Grades: K4-8<sup>th</sup>

Clarke Street School 2816 West Clarke Street Milwaukee, WI 53206 Grades: K4 – 8<sup>th</sup> Gwen T. Jackson Early Childhood and Elementary School 2121 West Hadley Street Milwaukee, WI 53206 Grades: Head Start – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

> Nova Middle and High School 2320 West Burleigh Street Milwaukee, WI 53206 Grades: Middle and High School



# SOJOURNER FAMILY PEACE CENTER

On **Saturday, June 9, 2018, at 12pm**, Sojourner Family Peace Center along with Milwaukee Police Districts Five and Seven will host the *2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Where is the Love?" community event* to raise awareness and reveal the truth about domestic abuse. Held at **Moody Park**, this event will provide a platform to have a conversation about domestic violence and how it affects our community. It will also provide an opportunity for community and business leaders to reaffirm their commitment to transforming lives impacted by domestic violence in Milwaukee

"In 2016, Sojourner celebrated 41 years of transforming lives in Milwaukee. We are the leader in providing domestic violence programming and services in Milwaukee. As experts in the field, we have a proven track record of providing safety, support and emergency assistance to families in need." said Rhondi Love.

The mission of Sojourner Family Peace Center is to transform lives impacted by domestic violence. Sojourner provides crisis housing, system advocacy, and individual support. "In 2017, Sojourner made 79,190 contacts with 11, 346 individuals from familypeace.org.

For more information about Sojourner in the Amani neighborhood contact Rhondi Love, the Community Prosecution Advocate Milwaukee Police District 5 of Sojourner Family Peace Center Office (414)935-7656 or familypeace.org.

