

THE NOBLE NEWS

ENSURING ALL MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES GAIN THE CONNECTIONS, KNOWLEDGE, AND EMPOWERMENT TO BUILD A MORE JUST, EQUITABLE, AND HEALTHY SOCIETY...

MAY THROUGH AUGUST 2018



COMMUNITY ACTION

“WHEN ONE HURTS, WE ALL STAND UP”

On Sunday, September 9th, 2018 1:00-3:00 pm at Vancouver Mall, 8700 NE Vancouver Mall Drive, Southwest Washington Communities United for Change will rally in response to the assault on Mykel Mosely who was assaulted by “Proud Boy” Tusitala ‘Tiny’ Toese, Proud Boys is recognized as a White National, Alt-Right Hate Group by the Southern Poverty Law Center. We will unite as a community in Peace & Solidarity to heal the wounds inflicted on yet another child of color. “Our democratic institutions failed Mykel Mosely on all levels” stated Ophelia Noble, Co-Executive Director of The Noble Foundation. “It is time for our community to come together to push back and apply pressure to our local government and mall management; we need to ensure our public community spaces are safe.” stated Sarah Chivers, Co-Executive Director of The Noble Foundation.

2018 INITIATIVES

WHAT’S NEW

GROUP PEER SUPPORT

The Noble Foundation (TNF) will be hosting Group Peer Support Training for Women of Color on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at The YWCA located at 3609 Main Street, Vancouver, WA 98663. This space is being created to ensure our Women of Color living in Vancouver can maintain connected after the “My Black is Beautiful Event”. A special honor of “Thank You” to Karen Morrison, Odyssey World International Educational Services for ensuring the “My Black Is Beautiful” event was organized.



COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

“COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER PROGRAM”

The Noble Foundation Board of Directors would like to thank, Northwest Health Foundation for supporting our newly developed ‘Culturally Specific’ Community Health Worker Program in Kelso and Vancouver, Washington. “Right now, we are working on building our organizational capacity to build a program rooted in the historical context of CHW’s community work” said Ophelia Noble, Co-Executive Director of The Noble Foundation, “and we are grateful for NWHF’s support and understanding of the need to ensure we are working from an authentic place of honor of this workforce.” The Noble Foundation is currently looking to host 4 CHW’s (in each city) to move Health and Education Initiatives aligned with community needs forward. It is with honor that we welcome: Odyssey World International Education Services (OWIES); The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People-Vancouver Branch (NAACP); LynxSe, LLC; NW & Associates.



Please visit Northwest Health Foundation’s website to see the wonderful work that is happening in the community <https://www.northwesthealth.org/>

“CROSS CULTURAL NARRATIVE”

This month we welcomed site visitors from The Social Justice Fund to Kelso, Washington. Thank You Joaquin Uy, Rebecca Lavigne, Jamie Whalen for gaining a deeper understanding of our community and the importance of the work that we are doing in Kelso. One of our 2019 initiatives is to create a cross-cultural narrative based on our Community of Colors experiences living in Southwest Washington. We see this as a vital step to working towards the reversal of legislative Initiative 200, Washington’s legislation maintaining “The state shall not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to, any individual or groups based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education or public contracting.” This initiative while it reverses all Washington States Civil rights Practices and Laws, more importantly makes it impossible for the public education system to address gaps in the education system impacting communities of color in Washington State.

