Since 1996, the Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance has sought to dismantle barriers to ensure people of all ethnic backgrounds have equal access and opportunity to participate fully in the life of the community.

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Join us for a Community Diversity Workshop

Diversity challenges exist in most industries and implementing lasting change can be overwhelming. While diversity initiatives may begin at the top, inclusive organizations know that they cannot end there. **Diversity is a priority at all levels.**

The Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance (LEDA) presents this series of sector-specific Community Diversity Workshops for leaders in West Michigan to examine how their organizations can advance their efforts toward equity.

These **2-hour workshops** will be offered at partner locations across the region. (Recent workshop on Diversity & Inclusion in Manufacturing pictured above left.)

- Upcoming July Workshops -

**The Civic Participation of Educators**
**Wed, July 17**

**LGBTQ 101**
**Wed, July 24**

**Community Diversity Workshop Series**

**Taking a Stand**
The Civic Participation of Educators

**Community Diversity Workshop Series**

**LGBTQ 101**
- Facilitated by Grand Rapids Pride Center -

- Wednesday, July 17 -
8:00 - 10:00 AM | Children's Advocacy Center, Holland

- Wednesday, July 24 -
8:00 - 10:00 AM | Center for Community Transformation, Grand Rapids
**Time:** 8 - 10 a.m.  
**Location:** Children’s Advocacy Center, Holland  
**Description:** This workshop will focus on the civic participation of educators. Student are becoming more aware and attuned to events happening in their communities, city, state, and nation, in addition to their lived experiences. It is therefore imperative for teachers, administrators, and staff in our community schools and vocational training centers to be prepared and empowered to facilitate and engage in difficult conversations with their students.

**Click here** for more details on all of our upcoming Community Diversity Workshops!

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### Spanish Language Academy

**- Spanish Language Academy -**  
**Sign up early for Late Summer courses!**

Spanish courses at LEDA will next be offered in August. They are 8-week community courses for only $145, meeting weekly. Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced courses available. Check out the starting dates, and click the link below for more details and to sign up!

- **Level 1 (Beginner):** Starts Mon, August 19
- **Level 2 (Intermediate):** Starts Tue, August 20
- **Level 3 (Advanced):** Starts Thu, August 22

**Click here for details and times.**

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### Local News and Upcoming Events

**Almuerzo y Presentación Legal!**  
**Legal Outreach Lunch!**  
Presented by Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates: Acompáñenos para una pequeña presentación (15 minutos en inglés Y español) de nuestro equipo de miembros calificados sobre sus derechos como inmigrantes y migrantes en la comunidad de Ottawa. Nuestros miembros calificados estarán ahí para brindarles información valiosa sobre sus derechos, e igual establecer una relación con recursos claves en el área. [Click here for more details.]

**Date:** Sun, Jul. 21  
**Time:** 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
**Location:** St. Francis de Sales, Holland

### Call to Action Coaches Clinic

Are you a coach of school-aged athletes that’s looking for ways to mentor and inspire? Join us at our Program Office on July 31st for the opportunity to learn about two of our prevention programs - Coaching Boys into Men and Athletes as
Leaders. [Click here for more details.]

**Date:** Wed, Jul. 31  
**Time:** 5:30 - 8 p.m.  
**Location:** Resilience (formerly Center for Women in Transition), Holland

**Movies in the Park: UP en español**  
Come out for a FREE Movie in the Park! Grab your blanket and claim your spot in beautiful Kollen Park. This is a Spanish immersion event. | Esta película se presentará en español con subtítulos en inglés. | The movie will be played in Spanish with English Subtitles. [Click here for more details.]

**Date:** Tue, Aug. 6  
**Time:** 9 - 10:40 p.m.  
**Location:** Kollen Park, Holland

**2019 City of Holland IRC International Festival**  
The first annual International Festival of Holland will launch a new tradition of bringing together the diverse cultural community of West Michigan as we learn about the cultures of our neighbors here and across the world in a fun, family-oriented way. Dozens of performers will celebrate world cultures, shop the Mercado of the World for international cuisine and art, children's activities abound. Fun, Free, and Family Friendly. [Click here for more details.]

**Date:** Sat, Aug. 17  
**Time:** 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
**Location:** Holland Civic Center Place

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**Volunteer with LEDA at Calling All Colors!**

The fall conferences for **Calling All Colors** are coming October 7 & 8 to Hope College. If you know you would like to volunteer and are planning to be there on either or both days, we invite you to sign up today.

Ensuring volunteer support in advance of the event helps us to better plan a great experience for the students. We are extremely grateful for all of our volunteers!

[Sign Up Here to Volunteer.]

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