

# 2017-2018 Multicultural Resource Guide



# Welcome. Respect. Connect.

This guide lists established and emerging resources that reflect and celebrate cultural diversity in our area. It is made possible through the generous support of the member organizations of the Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council (GLADC).

The purpose of this guide is to identify these resources, welcome and build connections with and among diverse groups, increase civic participation and citizenship, and strengthen economic and community development efforts. We recognize this guide is not exhaustive or allinclusive; nor is it an endorsement of any particular organization.

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### **Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council Mission**

To strengthen the workplaces and communities of the Greater La Crosse Area by promoting and cultivating diversity, access, inclusion and equity through collaborative projects and programs.

### **Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council Vision**

The Greater La Crosse area is an inclusive and welcoming place to live, work, access opportunities, contribute and belong. Our workplaces and communities affirm the inherent possibilities of people of all races, ethnicities, nationalities, religions, abilities, cultures, gender identities, sexual orientations, ages, economic and military statuses.

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### African American Cultural Alliance (AACA) PO Box 2938 La Crosse, WI 54602 608-792-3597 Provides services that promote a quality

lifestyle for African American families.

# African American Mutual Assistance Network (AAMAN)

317 4th Street S. #289 La Crosse, WI 54601 608-519-2376 810-336-5958 <u>www.aaman.us</u> Develops employment and educational opportunities for low-income families.

### **Awareness Through Performance**

UW-La Crosse Office of Campus Climate <u>www.uwlax.edu/campus-climate</u> Promoting greater consciousness around social justice and diversity using the stage as a forum.

# Black Leaders Acquiring Collective Knowledge (B.L.A.C.K.)

<u>Facebook.com/Black-Leaders-Acquiring-</u> <u>Collective-Knowledge-246705995691820</u> Works on finding ways to bring the La Crosse Black community together.

## Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse including Immigrant Legal Services

3710 East Avenue South La Crosse, WI 54601 608-782-0710 888-212-4357 www.cclse.org Promotes human dignity by alleviating poverty and strengthening individuals and families.

### The Arc La Crosse, Inc.

1035 Green Bay Street #4 La Crosse, WI 54601 608-782-4799 <u>www.thearc.org</u> The nation's leading advocate for all people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

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Services for Hmoob Elders Care Program, Aging & Disability Resource Center of La Crosse County 300 4<sup>th</sup> Street North La Crosse, WI 54601 800-500-3910 (Toll-free) 608-785-5700 <u>www.adrcww.org</u> adrcntr@co.la-crosse.wi.us Assists people with all aging related questions, programs, or services.

Cia Siab, Inc. 1130 Kane St La Crosse, WI 54601 920-234-5313 admin@ciasiabinc.org 24/7 WI Hmong Family Strengthening Helpline: 877-740-4292

Working to build a vibrant Hmoob community by providing culturally specific services with an emphasis on Hmoob language as a foundation. **The Center – 7 Rivers LGBT Connection** Strives to make the world a better place for LGBT people and their allies.

La Crosse Location 230 6<sup>th</sup> Street S P.O. Box 3313 La Crosse, WI 54602 608-784-0452 info@7riverslgbt.org

Winona Location Women's Resource Center of Winona 77 East 5th Street Winona, MN 55987 www.7riverslgbtq.org

### **Centro Latino**

1209 Main St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-515-9134 centrolatinolacrosse@gmail.com Provides services and information to the Latino community.

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Compassionate Community Faith Alliance P.O. Box 1211 La Crosse, WI 54602 johndavid@ccfaithalliance.org www.ccfaithalliance.org Diverse faith congregations working together to create a more compassionate community.

#### **Global Partners Gundersen Health System**

608-775-3833 www.gundersenhealth.org/global-partners Works to improve the health and well-being in global communities through volunteerism.

#### **Ho-Chunk Nation Three Rivers House**

724 Main St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-783-6025 linden.funmaker@ho-chunk.com Community center, youth and elder services including fitness and after school programs. **Great Rivers 2-1-1** P.O. Box 426 Onalaska, WI 54650 2-1-1 (toll-free, voice/TTY) 800-365-8255 <u>www.greatrivers211.org</u> Access to community resources and human service programs including shelters, Hunger Task Force, emergency services, 24-hour crisis line, alcohol and drug treatments.

#### **Hmong Cultural and Community Center**

1815 Ward Ave La Crosse, WI 54601 608-781-5744 <u>www.hmoobagency.org</u> Serves refugees, former refugees, and other ethnic populations by offering services, resources, programs, and facility to fulfill their informational, educational, and cultural needs.



### Human Rights Commission – City of La Crosse 400 La Crosse St La Crosse WI 54601 Jason Gilman (Commission Secretary) 608-789-7362 www.cityoflacrosse.org Receives, initiates and investigations all complaints alleging discriminatory practice.

#### Human Rights Commission – City of Winona

207 Lafayette St Winona, MN 55987 507-457-8200 <u>www.cityofwinona.com</u> Provides citizens equal opportunity in employment, housing, public services, education, and more.

### UW-La Crosse International Education and Engagement 608-785-8016 www.uwlax.edu/international-education Coordinates exchange programs for U.S. and international students.

### Lugar de Reunion, Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center

201 E. Franklin St, Room B3 Sparta, WI 54656 608-269-2944 www.scenicbluffs.org/Resources/Lugar-de-Reunion

Latino resource center offering a broad range of supportive programming and English language instruction.



### League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area P.O. Box 363 La Crosse, WI 54602 <u>www.lwvlacrosse.org</u> Nonpartisan political organization encouraging the informed and active participation of

### Independent Living Resources (ILR)

citizens in government.

4439 Mormon Coulee Rd La Crosse, WI 54601 608-787-1111 608-787-1148 (TTY) <u>www.ILResources.org</u> Advocacy, choice, and education aimed at empowerment for individuals with disabilities.

### Mental Health Coalition of the Greater La Crosse Area P.O. Box 3724 La Crosse, WI 54602 www.mentalhealthlacrosse.org Advocates for mental health and providers of mental health services.

### National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) P.O. Box 595

La Crosse, WI 54602 608-779-1554 1-800-236-2988 www.namilacrossecounty.org

Dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with mental illness and their families through support, education, and advocacy.



#### **Project FINE**

202 West 3<sup>rd</sup> St Winona, MN 55987 507-452-4100 <u>www.projectfine.org</u> Nonprofit organization that helps newcomers integrate into the community.

#### La Crosse Area Showing Up For Racial Justice

<u>Facebook.com/lacrosseareaSURJ</u> laxsurj@gmail.com Network of groups and individuals organizing white people for racial justice.

#### YWCA La Crosse

3219 Commerce St La Crosse, WI 54603 608-781-2783 | <u>vwcalax.org</u> Dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

#### **United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS)**

2701 S Chase Ave Milwaukee, WI 53207 414-389-6000 www.umos.org

Wisconsin non-profit corporation providing services to improve employment, education, health, and housing for underserved populations.

### School District of La Crosse Cultural and

Family Connection Programs 807 East Ave S La Crosse, WI 54601 608-789-7600 www.lacrosseschools.org/programsservices/cultural-family-connections Educates, supports, and engages staff, families, and students on topics and issues of culture, race, and social justice.

### **City & Regional Government**



#### **Local Government**

\*Contact information for mayors and elected council members

**City of La Crosse** 608-789-2489 Citizen Resource Center <u>www.cityoflacrosse.org</u> \*See Self Help Portal

City of Onalaska 608-781-9530 www.cityofonalaska.com

Village of Holmen 608-526-4336 www.holmenwi.com

#### La Crosse County

608-781-9530, La Crosse County Board Chair 608-785-9700, La Crosse County Administrator www.co.la-crosse.wi.us

### **State Government**

\*Contacts for La Crosse area state representatives 608-266-5490 (Senate District 32-Shilling) 608-266-0631 (Assembly District 94-Doyle) 608-266-5780 (Assembly 95-Billings) 608-266-1212 (Governor's Office) maps.legis.wisconsin.gov

### **Federal Government**

\*Contacts for La Crosse area elected officials from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District 608-782-2558 (U.S. Representative Kind) 202-224-5323 (U.S. Senator Johnson) 202-224-5653 (U.S. Senator Baldwin) www.govtrack.us

#### **Voter Registration**

\*Contact your City Clerk for voting information 608-789-7510 (City of La Crosse) If you don't have an approved photo ID, contact the DMV: 608-264-7447 Elections are held each April and November <u>www.myvote.wi.gov/en-us</u> <u>www.bringitwisconsin.com</u>

### **Faith Communities**



The listed faith communities reflect non-majority faith traditions and/or serve non-majority members of the La Crosse area with central or added intention. We recognize that this guide is not exhaustive.

### Agape Asian Ministry ELCA Hmong

In St Paul's Lutheran Church 420 West Ave S La Crosse, WI 54601 608-385-3642 www.hmonglacrosse.com

**Baha'i of La Crosse** 1303 Green Bay St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-7024

**Congregation Sons of Abraham** 1820 Main St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-2708 www.lacrossesynagogue.org

#### **Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration**

St. Rose of Viterbo Convent 912 Market St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-782-5610 www.fspa.org

Hmong Faith Alliance Church (CMA) Hmong Kx Txawj Fwm Yaaj 2122 Campbell Road La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-8711 www.hmongdistrict.org

Iglesia Evangelica Libre "La Cosecha" 123 Main St P.O. Box 73 Norwalk, WI 54648

### **Faith Communities**



### **Diamond Way Buddhist Center**

507 Main St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-620-4836 lacrosse@diamondway.org www.diamondway.org/lacrosse

### Franciscan Spirituality Center

920 Market St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-791-5295 www.fscenter.org

### Islamic Othman Bin Affan Mosque

206 Rose St La Crosse, WI 54603 608-784-7167 lacrossemosque@yahoo.com Friday Prayer at 1:20 p.m. Iglesia Hispana Pentecostés "Lirio de los Valles" 35567 4<sup>th</sup> St Independence, WI 54547

### **Islamic Center of Winona**

71 W 3rd St Winona, MN 55987 507-312-0307 www.livewellwinona.org

### Roncalli Newman Center 1732 State St La Crosse, WI 54601

608-784-4994 www.roncallinewmancenter.com

### Saint Augustine of Hippo W109 County Highway U Norwalk, WI 54648 608-654-5654 www.smash3p.org

### **Faith Communities**



Neighborhood City Church 525 7<sup>th</sup> St S La Crosse WI 54601 608-782-4494 Check site for yearly neighborhood Block Party www.citychurchlax.com

### Office of Ministries and Social Concerns Diocese Spanish

3710 East Ave S P.O. Box 4004 La Crosse, WI 54601 608-791-0161 www.diolc.org/social-concerns/Hispanicministry/spanish-masses

### **Unitarian Universalist Fellowship**

401 West Ave S, La Crosse, WI 54601 608-796-9993 www.uulacrosse.org Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe 5250 Justin Road, La Crosse, WI 54601 608-782-5440 www.guadalupeshrine.org

**St. Elias Eastern Orthodox** 716 Copeland Ave, La Crosse, WI, 54603 608-782-8641 www.stelias-lacrosse.org

**St. James the Less Church** 1032 Caledonia St, La Crosse, WI 54603 608-782-7557 www.saintjameslax.com

### Roman Catholic Diocese of La Crosse

3710 East Ave S, P.O. Box 4004 La Crosse, WI 54602 608-788-7700 www.diolc.org Contact for a list of Spanish-speaking Roman Catholic priests.

### **Education**



**Greater La Crosse Area Diversity Council** <u>www.glaxdiversitycouncil.com</u> Education on workplace, workforce, and community diversity, inclusion and equity.

#### **UW-La Crosse**

1725 State St, La Crosse, WI 54601 608-785-8000 | <u>www.uwlax.edu</u> ACCESS Center: 608-785-6900 Multicultural Student Services: 608-785-8225 Campus Climate Office: 608-785-5095 Diversity and Inclusion: 608-785-5092

#### UW-La Crosse Self-Sufficiency Program (SSP)

4306 Centennial Hall UW-L Campus 608-785-8733 www.uwlax.edu/self-sufficiency-program

UW-La Crosse International Education and Engagement 608-785-8016 www.uwlax.edu/international-education

### UW-La Crosse Multicultural Student Organizations

ALANA (Asian, Latina, African, Native American Women) ASO (Asian Student Organization) BSU (Black Student Unity) DOC (Diversity Organization Coalition) Hillel-Jewish Student Organization (JSO) HOPE (Hmong Organization Promoting Education) ISO (International Student Organization) Islamophobia Working Group **IOPA** (Intercultural Organization Promoting Awareness) LASO (Latin American Student Organization) Le Cercle Français (French Club) NASA (Native American Student Association) Pride Center RU (Rainbow Unity) SAPA (Students Advocating Potential Ability) Spanish Club

### **Education**



#### **Viterbo University**

900 Viterbo Drive La Crosse, WI 54601 608-796-3000 www.viterbo.edu Diversity and Inclusion Center Disability Services: 608-796-3190 Global Education Office: 608-796-3172 Latin American Studies Program 608-796-3493 SOAHR (Student Org Advocating for Human Rights) Spanish Club

#### Winona State University

4175 West Mark St Winona, MN 55987 507-457-5000 <u>www.winona.edu</u> Access Services: 507-457-5878 Inclusion & Diversity Office: 507-457-5595

### Winona State Human Diversity Student Organizations

AAC (Asian American Club) BCO (Black Cultural Organization) FORGE (Fighting for Our Rights and Gender Equality) Full Spectrum: Winona State University Gender and Sexuality Alliance Hillel-Jewish Student Organization (JSO) HASA (Hmong American Student Association) LASO (Latino-American Student Organization) Muslim Student Association Saudi Student Association Somali Student Association Spanish Club Turtle Island Student Organization WOCA (Women of Color Association)

### **Education**



### Western Technical College

400 7th St N La Crosse, WI 54601 608-785-9200 <u>www.westerntc.edu</u> Disability Services: 608-785-9875 Welcome Center: 608-785-9200 Multicultural Center: 608-785-6270 Project Proven: 608-785-9267

#### **The Parenting Place**

1500 Green Bay St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-8125 <u>www.theparentingplace.net</u> Supports parents and caregivers by creating greater understanding of the impact they have on the lives of the children in their care.

#### Ho Chunk Nation Three Rivers House

(Learning Center) 724 Main St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-783-6025 F<u>acebook.com/pages/The-Ho-Chunk-Nations-</u> <u>Three-Rivers-House/320647004686981</u>

### **School District of La Crosse**

(Cultural & Family Connections Programs) 807 East Ave S La Crosse, WI 54601 608-789-7628 www.lacrosseschools.org

### Arts / Culture / Entertainment



#### **Events**

Hmoob New Year Celebration www.hmoobagency.org

Three Rivers Pow-wow 715-284-9343 www.calendar.powwows.com

Pride Fest www.7riverslgbtq.org

Indigenous People's Day Celebration Every year, October 12 native@uwlax.edu

Irish Fest 601-615 2nd St N, La Crosse, WI 54603 www.irishfestlacrosse.org Juneteenth Celebration www.aaman.us

**Martin Luther King Jr Celebration Event** P.O. Box 1211, La Crosse, WI 54601 608-487-3552

Oktoberfest Last Thursday of every September www.Oktoberfestusa.com

Westby Syttende Mai Third weekend in May Celebration of Norwegian heritage & culture. www.westbysyttendemai.com

View the GLADC Community Calendar at glaxdiversitycouncil.com for event announcements!

### Arts / Culture / Entertainment



### **Radio Stations** El Fonógrafo 1150AM (Mexico City)

https://tunein.com/radio/El-Fonografo-937-FM-HD2-1150-s47671

La Mezcla Radio Hour WDRT Driftless Community radio www.wdrt.org

Radio Caracol Colombia www.caracol.com.co

Radio Exterior de España www.rtve.es/radio/radio-exterior

Radio Habana Cuba www.radiohc.cu

Radio HCBJ La Voz de los Andes (Ecuador) radiohcjb.org Radio México Internacional www.imer.mx/rmi

Radio Nacional Argentina, Folklorica 98.7FM www.radionacional.com.ar

WJTI Milwaukee Spanish Radio 1460AM or Online www.streema.com/radios/WJTI

WOJB – Native American Station Online Only www.wojb.org

WPR - Wisconsin Public Radio 90.3FM www.wpr.org

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### **Organizations**

City of La Crosse Sister Cities www.cityoflacrosee.org/sistercities

Global Initiatives Week Facebook.com/lacrosseglobalinitatives

### Hmong Cultural and Community Center 1815 Ward Ave

La Crosse, WI 54601 608-781-5744 www.hmoobagency.org **Special Olympics WI-South Central Area** 608-222-1324 kbergmann@specialolympicswiscons.org

### **Businesses & Services**



#### **Markets**

**Bridgeview Plaza Farmers Market** 2500 Rose St. La Crosse, WI 54601 June to October, Wed 8am–1pm

### **Cameron Park Farmers Market**

Downtown La Crosse in Cameron Park Between 4<sup>th</sup> St and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue May to October, Fri 4pm–8pm, Sat 8am-1pm

### HMOOB Farmer's Market 1815 Ward Ave. La Crosse, WI 54601 June to October, Thu 7am–4pm

Holmen Market

Festival Foods (parking lot) 123 Hale Dr Holmen, WI 54636 May to October, Wed 3pm–7pm Kane Street Community Garden 1240 Clinton St. La Crosse, WI 54603

Harvest Hours: Mon 3pm-5pm, Thurs 3pm-5pm, Sat 10am-12pm

#### **Onalaska Area Farmer's Market**

Festival Foods (parking lot) 1260 Crossing Meadows Dr. Onalaska, WI 54650 June to October, Every Sun

#### **Riverside Park Farmers Market**

Downtown La Crosse, Riverside Park (South end) 608-789-7533 May to October, Sat 7am–12pm

West Salem Market Jefferson and Mill streets (parking lot corner) June to October, Wed 2pm–6pm

### **Businesses & Services**



### **Grocery Stores**

**Del Río Mexican Store** 102 W Main St Arcadia, WI 54612 608-323-2030

Indochinese Grocery Store 704 La Crosse St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-785-1566

**Asian Food Market** 1509 George St La Crosse, WI 54603 608-519-1913

La Pasada Grocery Store 317 E Wisconsin St Sparta, WI 54656 608-269-2411

**Mini Market San Juan** 306 W Main St Arcadia, WI 54612 608-323-3445

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**Oriental Goodies** 2945 21st Pl S La Crosse, WI 54601 608-881-6514

**People's Food Co-op** 315 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-5798

**Thao Brothers Asian Market** 510 Lang Drive

La Crosse, WI 54603 608-784-0534

**Tienda Elvira Grocery Store** 515W Wisconsin St Sparta, WI 54656 608-269-3076

Unique Food Concepts 623 East Main St

Arcadia, WI 54612 608-323-8149

**Hmong Grocery Store** 1506 Cole Ct Holmen, WI 54636 608-399-1706

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### **Businesses & Services**



### **Services (Not Exhaustive)**

Chia's Transportation Services 1310 Red Cedar Court Onalaska, WI 54650 608-397-9650

Hmong Kashia Daycare 1100 Kane St, Suite 120 La Crosse, WI 54603

608-397-9650

Margaret's Hip Hop Fashion

1134 Gillette St La Crosse, WI 54603 608-782-3610

### **Orange Pearl Salon**

300 Pearl St La Crosse, WI 54601 608-782-2868 | <u>www.opsalon.com</u>

### **The Salon Professional Academy** 566 Theater Rd Onalaska, WI 54650

608-783-7400

### **Business & Employment Development**

La Crosse Area Chamber of Commerce 601 7<sup>th</sup> St N La Crosse, WI 54601 608-784-4880 www.lacrossechamber.com Helps businesses thrive by connecting them, helping them grow, and advocating as the voice of business.

### UW-La Crosse Small Business Development Center

1701 Farwell St, Room 120 La Crosse, WI 54601 608-785-8783 <u>www.uwlax.edu/sbdc</u> Works with business owners and entrepreneurs to facilitate business growth and improvement, and to launch successful new companies.

### Workforce Connections Inc.

2615 E Ave S, #103 La Crosse, WI 54601 608-789-5920 www.workforceconnections.org Connects people, work, and training while advancing self-sufficiency.

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