



February is National Parent Recognition Month Get Ready to Recognize Parent Leaders **SAVE THE DATE**

Hello Colleagues and Friends:

February is National Parent Leadership Month in Minnesota. To promote Parent Leadership Month in Minnesota, MCCC/Prevent Child Abuse Minnesota is pleased to be hosting a Parent Recognition event on **February 23, 2017**. The event will celebrate the great contributions parents make to our communities by honoring parents and professionals, partnering in Minnesota, working to build on the strengths of families and prevent child abuse and neglect.

Parent Leadership occurs when parents gain the knowledge and skills to function in meaningful leadership roles and represent a “parent voice” to help shape the lives of families and communities, as well as shape the direction of programs and policies that impact them. Parents, grandparents, kinship care providers, foster parents, and ***anyone in a parenting role who has personal experience in using resources and/or services to strengthen their family can be nominated.***

We invite your organization to join us as official co-hosts and attendees of this special event. By taking part in this day, you will be joining others in publicly recognizing, celebrating and honoring parents for the leadership roles they take in their homes and communities.

Don't miss the chance to be part of Parent Leadership Month in Minnesota. Here are some ways you can participate:

- Allow MCCC/PCAMN to use your organization's name as a co-host of the event; no financial contribution necessary
- Attend the Parent Leadership Month event
- Nominate a Parent Leader for the 2017 Parent Leader Award being presented by MN Communities Caring for Children/Prevent Child Abuse MN

We encourage everyone to become involved in this national opportunity to honor Parent Leaders.

If you would like to sponsor the event, please contact: Jeannette Lewis at jlewis@pcamn.org. To nominate a Parent Leader for the 2017 Parent Leadership Event, please send the following nomination form and email to Jeannette Lewis.

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Unsung Hero Award Nomination Form

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What better way to recognize a parent, grandparent, foster or adoptive parent or other caregivers than by acknowledging all the wonderful things they do to strengthen their family and those around them in the community. Please submit your nomination **no later than January 31, 2017** and join us to honor those special parents.

Name of Nominee:

Contact information of Nominee:

Address

City, State, ZIP

County

Phone

E-mail Address

Why would you like this person to be nominated? <i>(Use another sheet if needed.)</i>

Name of Nominator:

Address, City, State, ZIP

Phone

E-mail Address

Please mail your nomination form to Jeanette Lewis or email to jlewis@pcamn.org:

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