

### **Refugee Services**

Case Management

Education

**Employment** 

**Immigration** 

## Respectful Communities

Respectful Conversations

Taking Heart Ramadan Dinners

Native American Relationships

Our Muslim Neighbor (Interfaith)

Black Clergy Speakers Bureau

### **Advocating Justice**

Joint Religious Legislative Coalition

Minnesota FoodShare

Racial Justice

### Supporting the Faith Community

Minnesota Church Center
Congregational Partnerships
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News for the Common Good

# Minnesota Council of Churches



# A Tradition of Innovation

25 member denominations make up Minnesota Council of Churches. We added Pentecostal Assemblies of the World this year. In 2015, we...

Welcomed 408 refugees from 9 countries

Reached a cumulative **2,331 Minnesotans** participating in **85 Respectful Conversations** on topics ranging from "race" relations to guns to immigration

Respectful Conversation on "Race" Relations at the **Conflict Resolution Minnesota Conference** saw 84% of participants reported an increase in empathy

Brought 1,400 Christians and Muslims together in relationship at 18 cross-cultural Ramadan Iftars where 280 people had never been in a mosque

Involved 220 Mankato Community Residents in outreach and education presentations.

Witnessed to the good work of the body of Christ in 127 media mentions

24 Human Resource professionals from 13 employers engaged with MCC through the Refugee Employer Advisory Council

50 faith communities from 17 different traditions held prayer services for 'Mother' Emanuel AME mass shooting victims

Helped **68 refugees secure and maintain their first job**. We have the highest cash assistance exit rate due to employment of any resettlement agency in Minnesota **for 2 years in a row**.

Joined Minnesota FoodShare to raise \$7.4M for food shelves and 4.7 million pounds of food in the March Campaign

Worked for justice as **810 citizen activists** from **65 of 67 state senate districts** met with legislators at JRLC Day on the Hill