

OUR MISSION:

To promote the personal development of children, youth and adults through cultural education while providing resources that contribute to cross-cultural understanding between Hmong and non-Hmong people.



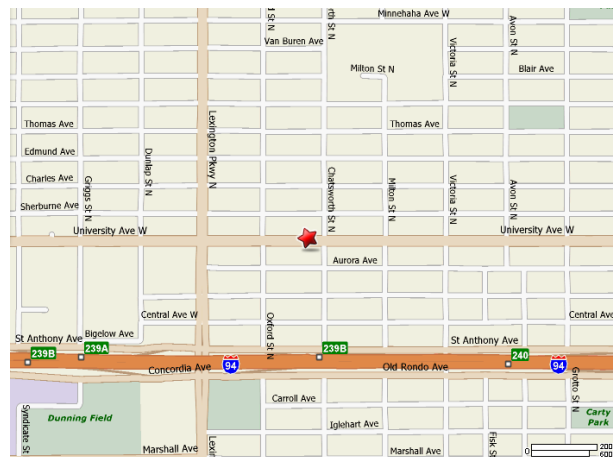
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RESOURCE CENTER



The Hmong Cultural Center also works to advance the human rights of Hmong interacting with mainstream institutions and systems across the United States as it educates non-Hmong professionals and service workers about the background and culturally specific needs of their Hmong constituents.



“Learning the past to preserve the future”

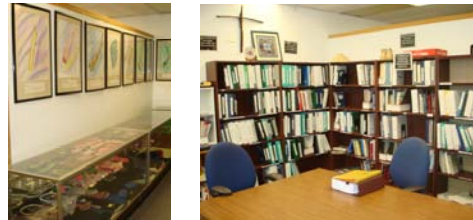
RESOURCE CENTER

The Resource Center is a part of the Hmong Cultural Center. Like the Hmong Cultural Center, it is open from Monday through Friday from 9AM to 6PM. The Resource Center is physically divided into two parts: the library and the artifact exhibition. It also offers a presentation that promotes cross-cultural understanding called Building Bridges.



LIBRARY

The Resource Center Library carries a wide variety of materials including books (Hmong, English, French), news articles, periodicals, academic dissertations, journals, videos, DVDs, and cassettes. Most of the mentioned materials are historical and academic production; however, we do have entertainment-type materials as well. Furthermore, many of these materials can be checked out by any registered clients of the Hmong Cultural Center. Complete Catalog of the library is available at www.hmongcenter.org



ARTIFACT EXHIBITION

The Resource Center Artifact Exhibition puts on display a wide range of Hmong cultural objects. Some of these are the original pieces, some are the new reproductions, and some are miniature replicas of the larger objects. The exhibition carries many items of practical daily use like hammers, sickles, axes, and pipes. It also displays artistic pieces such as cloths, costumes, bodily decorative objects, and musical instruments.



BUILDING BRIDGES PRESENTATION

The presentation is a multi-cultural educational program specifically designed to introduce the Hmong people and way of life to the non-Hmong visitors. The program targets both teenage and adult audiences; however, many of the visitors in the past have been groups of university and high school students on cultural trips accompanied by their professors.

The main purpose of this presentation is to pin-point, elaborate, and reconcile the cultural differences between the mainstream American culture and the Hmong traditional culture. It is specially designed to clear out the cultural misunderstanding and stereotypical pre-judgment, and subsequently to help bridge the existing cultural gap between the two groups.

The presentation is made by the senior Hmong staffs. Generally the presentation is made at the Resource Center with prior appointment but the staff occasionally bring their presentation to other places as well, usually upon requests from the clients.

Why should you or your loved ones visit the Resource Center?

- Because it is free of charge.
- Because it is a great location to do research or write a paper on the Hmong people, culture, and other issues.
- Because our presentation will help bridge the gap between Hmong and non-Hmong people, and create harmonious understanding between all.
- Because we have all kinds of scholarly and interesting books, videos, DVDs, and cassettes. You can even check out some of them!
- And because the staff here at the Resource Center are nice and will try their best to help you with whatever you are trying to accomplish.

To learn more about Hmong History, Culture and Customs, please visit www.learnabouthmong.org