



ACOMI

AFRICAN COMMUNITIES OF MANITOBA INC.

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ACOMI TO HOST A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON ISSUES AFFECTING AFRICAN YOUTH

Community Conversation on the impact of Gang and Drug Culture in African Youth Communities

On **November 24, 2019 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm** at the **Knox United Church (Basement)** Winnipeg (**400 Edmonton Street**), the African Communities of Manitoba Inc. (ACOMI) will be hosting a community gathering to discuss supporting local youth through the challenges that the community is currently facing. This meeting will discuss how to support newcomer youth and youth of African heritage, how to work together as a community to address the issues and begin a conversation around the development of a community led action plan.

Recent events in our city, including the loss of life of a youth of African heritage, demonstrate that there must be a community led response to protect our young people who could be justice or gang involved. This meeting will serve as a stepping stone towards identifying the root cause of the challenges facing our youth, including those at risk, and explore community-led sustainable solutions.

ACOMI is relying on the large and strong African communities across Manitoba to find a better way to work together to address the issues that hinder our community efforts and find a better way forward.

About ACOMI

ACOMI is a non-profit, non-sectarian organization that works to bring together individuals and community organizations of African heritage in the province of Manitoba. ACOMI offers programming to a wide demographic of people in support of building community unity, understanding, and prosperity.

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