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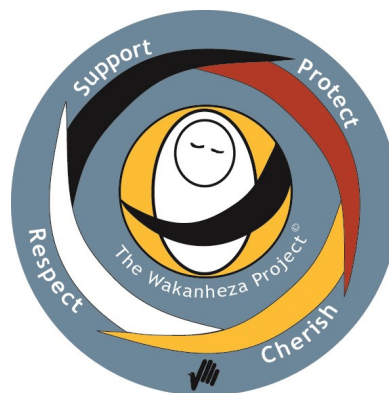
Creating Welcoming Environments for Youth and Families: Learning from The Wakanheza Project™

Monday, May 6, 2013

9:00 Registration and networking

9:30—12:30 Workshop

**East Greenbush Community Library
10 Community Way
East Greenbush, New York**



Wakanheza (Wah-kahn'-juh) means "sacred being" and is the Dakota word for child. The Wakanheza Project™ provides tools and strategies for creating welcoming and respectful environments for children, with an emphasis on human interactions. The Wakanheza principles apply to youth of all ages as well as to adults.

Whether you interact with youth and parents/caregivers in a library or museum setting, you will learn techniques to effectively respond to everyday, stressful situations between people and strategies to avert acute situations before they happen.

The Wakanheza Project™ has been introduced in over 100 organizations throughout the nation, including museums, faith communities, schools, family service agencies, and libraries. The Wakanheza Project concept and logo were developed, copyrighted, and trademarked by Saint Paul - Ramsey County Department of Public Health, <http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/ph>

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DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: April 30

Cost: UHLS member libraries and CNSE CMOST staff and volunteers: FREE

All others: \$30

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