

Juneteenth in July



Come out and Celebrate Juneteenth in July

July 3, 2020

5-9 pm

Lincoln Park

Come out and celebrate Juneteenth and learn about what it is and why it is important to the black community. There will also be black vendors there, so come out and support black owned businesses as well as listen to different local black artists

There will also be food at the event that you can buy and we will have hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes, and face masks. As well as encourage social distancing throughout the event.

JUNETEENTH IN JULY

June 23, 2020

Dear Sponsors,

My name is Passion Anthony, and I am writing you this letter today to inform you of an event that a few peers and I are planning. We are partnering with the NAACP, Cedar Valley BLM, N.A.N, and the Eastside Ministerial Alliance, and BYFTCM. The Event is being called "Juneteenth in July."

If you are not aware of what Juneteenth is, it is the day that slaves were set free on June 19th, 1865. A little over 2 and a half years after President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, which was signed on January 1, 1863. Juneteenth is a very important and historic event that is a part of black history, and American history in General, but they don't teach you this in school, so unfortunately a lot of people are unaware of this important holiday! This is why I think it's important for this event to take place, especially with everything going on in the world right now, I think it's important to educate everyone on this special holiday and why it's important! So we decided to do this event on the 3rd of July. Most people know that the 4th of July is Independence Day for the "American people", when the 13 colonies claimed their independence from England on July 4th, 1776. However, that did not include every one, because black people were still slaves, being treated like property, and were not given our freedom until 89 years later. Thus, instead of celebrating an independence day that is not ours, we thought it would be a great idea to host it on the 3rd and also educate everyone on why the 4th of July is not our Independence Day and why Juneteenth is.

Now that I have informed you on what the event is and why it is important, we are setting the event for July 3rd, 2020 at Lincoln park from 5pm-9pm. Weather non-permitting, we will plan to move the event to the Waterloo Center for The Arts.

We are hoping to continue this event in the future, and would love for all Cedar Valley businesses that stand with their black customers become sponsors and financially support

this great event. We will have masks, hand sanitizer, and sanitizing wipes at the event, and will continue to encourage social distancing throughout this event. Thank you in advance for standing with us in the effort to bring awareness and equality in OUR Cedar Valley.

Sincerely yours,

Passion Anthony