



Heal the Divide is an initiative which seeks to glorify God by uniting the WE and THEM into the US within Minnesota.

Heal the Divide is a Faith Based, Christ Centered Social Initiative which brings together Christians from Minnesota together to unite in Christ, and tackle the challenges of this earthly life.

We are bring together business leaders, faith leaders, and community leaders from rural, suburban, and urban Minnesota.

Urban vs Suburban, black vs white, conservative vs liberal, we all share an identity in Christ and have a Christian Duty to care for one another.

Our hope is to develop leaders in the Urban Core and Greater Minnesota who will build:

Strong Families

Safe Communities

Economic Opportunity

Vision

Our vision is to see urban, suburban, and rural Christians of Minnesota come together in perfect unity, standing shoulder to shoulder, under an identify in Christ that transcends race, politics, geography, age, and all other divisions. We see a world in which Christians bear each other's burdens, and strive against poverty, hate, and violence through grassroots social action focused on hearts and minds, not politics and policies. We hope that we can love one another who we have seen, and learn to love our heavenly Father whom we have not.

Mission

To glorify God by Uniting the We and Them into US.

Values

Humility - Transparency - Accountability - Vulnerability - Honesty

Area of Focus: Building Strong Families Program

Heal the Divide will engage church leaders, community leaders, business leaders, and other leaders in the urban core to start Building Strong Families.

The foundation of a Strong Family are the wise adults capable of leading their families and build networks of close relationships that aid them in navigating life.

Heal the Divide will found small groups of individuals who desire to see families strengthened. These individuals can be mothers and fathers already leading families, young people who hope to start families, elder generations leading intergenerational families, individuals with close ties to families they wish to support, or people in other circumstance which aligns to the goal of Building Strong families.

These small groups will support the building of strong families through two avenues:

1) The small group will deliver a psycho-educational curriculum on life skills around areas such as finance, parenting, career, character/leadership, and other associated skills.

2) The small group participants will develop deep relationships with each other, providing relational capital and meaningful connection which will provide a health context in which personal change is possible.

Our approach is unique

We bridge division, rather than cater to specific demographics. This allows us to authentically leverage a multiplicity of perspectives and life experiences, rather than coercing diversity.

We focus on the individual rather than systems. This brings the issues we address within the realm of personal responsibility rather than social context. This personally empowers our participants, rather than requiring systemic power to make effective change.

We specifically center relationships as the objective. Relationships are both the spiritual as well as quantitative goal of HTD and creates systems and structures to support the goal to love one another as a means of loving God (see 1 John 4:20).

We develop leaders across Minnesota. We see Godly leaders of character as essential to addressing the problems of Minnesota, and intentionally invest in bringing people together who want to influence those around them into a better path.