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**Invitation to participate in Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service**

*Summary: Register now to participate in service projects throughout Morris and surrounding areas.*

(December 12, 2011)-Martin Luther King, Jr. fought against racial segregation and discrimination until his death on April 4, 1968. Today, we celebrate Martin Luther King Day each January. This year's Day of Service provides a day of diversity training, programming, and service designed to honor Martin Luther King's life and legacy of hope and equality.

Volunteers from the University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM) and the greater Morris community will complete service projects with several community partners, including West Wind Village, Legacy Living, the Salvation Army, and Pomme de Terre Food Co-op. Other events throughout the day include speakers, a march in downtown Morris, and a free Community Meal. The Day of Service is Monday, January 16, 2012. Service activities will run from 1 until 4:30 p.m. At 4:30, groups will gather to hear speakers and march together through Morris. Finally, a free meal will be served from 5:30 until 7 p.m. at the Morris Senior Community Center, located at 603 Oregon Avenue.

If you and your family are interested in participating in the Day of Service, contact [Jenna Deardorff](#) in the Office of Community Engagement at 320-589-6457. All volunteers will be welcomed, but pre-registration is required. The deadline to register as a volunteer is Friday, January 6, 2012. No registration is required for the afternoon programming or evening meal.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service is a collaboration among UMM's Office of Equity, Diversity, and Intercultural Programs, the Office of Community Engagement, the Morris Human Rights Commission, and participating community partners.

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