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A program of:
Buffalo Prenatal-Perinatal Network



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About the Agency

Buffalo Prenatal-Perinatal Network is a not-for-profit community-based organization that was incorporated in 1987. Our overall services and programs work to promote healthy families in the area of birth outcomes and self-sufficiency.

BPPN Mission

BPPN empowers women, fathers, and families to take charge of bettering their family health and well-being by providing education, support, advocacy, and connection to resources and services in WNY.



Think on this...

“The reality is that 'parent' is still usually taken as a code word for 'mother'. When parenting groups are advertised, they are usually understood as invitations to women and when parenting research is done, it is usually heavily based towards mothers. The only way to find out what is happening for the 'invisible parent' in America was to point the spotlight directly and specifically at him. Nurturing isn't just something fathers do, but something men do”

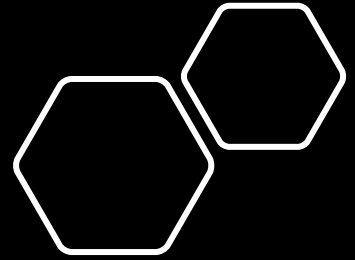
James Levine, Director, The Fatherhood Project

Why does the BFI exist?

To empower fathers and male caregivers with the tools and resources needed to promote healthy male and father involvement for the well-being of children and families.

Our Vision

For every father and male caregiver in the Greater Buffalo-Niagara region to be equipped with the skills needed to be nurturing and confident caregivers for the well-being of children and families.



2023 Census Bureau data shows that 17.8 million children, nearly 1 in 4 households, don't have a father or father-figure in the home.

The **Strengths** of **Father Presence**

Children with involved fathers have a **strong foundation** for child well-being.



They are at **lower risk** for a host of **poor childhood outcomes.**



- ✓ Infant Mortality
- ✓ Low Birth Weight
- ✓ Emotional and Behavioral Problems
- ✓ Neglect and Abuse
- ✓ Injury
- ✓ Obesity
- ✓ Poor School Performance
- ✓ Teen Pregnancy
- ✓ Incarceration as Juveniles
- ✓ Alcohol and Substance Abuse
- ✓ Criminal Activity
- ✓ Suicide

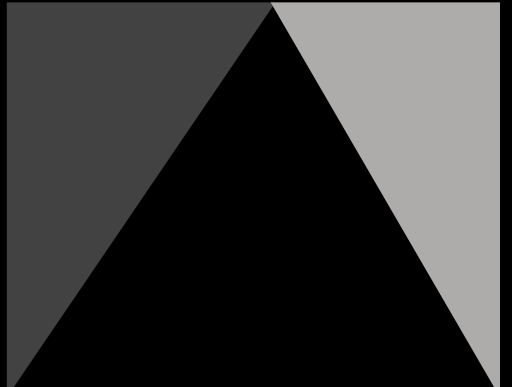
**National
Fatherhood**

Source: National Fatherhood Initiative® 2019.
Father Facts: Eighth Edition. Germantown, MD.



NURTURING FATHERS

OF WESTERN NEW YORK



REIMAGINE: I AM THE CHANGE!

BARBERSHOP TALK

MEN'S EMPOWERMENT GROUP
SPRING/SUMMER SERIES

- MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024
- MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024
- MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024
- MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024
- MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024
- MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2024
- MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024
- MONDAY, JULY 22, 2024
- MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2024
- MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2024
- ALL SESSIONS (5:00PM-7:30PM)

REGISTER HERE:



SCAN ME

1ST FLOOR TRI MAIN CENTER
2495 MAIN STREET, BUFFALO, NY 14214

FOOD WILL BE PROVIDED!!!



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COMMUNITY MEN & SON'S DAY

Calling all fathers, stepfathers, uncles, grandfathers, mentors, & role models
to bring their favorite young people!

FISHING, FOOD, FUN & BIKE RIDE WITH THE EAST SIDE BIKE CLUB

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

9AM-3PM @FREEDOM PARK (AKA FOOT OF FERRY)

SIGN UP HERE!




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HEALTH & WELLNESS BOXING SESSIONS

- THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2024
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2024

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

BOMBSQUAD ACADEMY CENTER
ALSO KNOWN AS THE FLARE CENTER
307 Leroy Street,
Buffalo, NY 14214

REGISTER HERE:



WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?

- Strength & Conditioning
- Defense Techniques
- Footwork
- Counters

BOXING GLOVES WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ATTENDEES



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HEALTH & WELLNESS FITNESS BOOT CAMPS

PROMOTING HEALTHY MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS THROUGH PHYSICAL ACTIVITY WITH FATHERS, SONS, MEN AND YOUNG MEN OF COLOR

SATURDAY DATES:

- DECEMBER 16, 2023
- JANUARY 13, 2024
- FEBRUARY 10, 2024
- FEBRUARY 24, 2024

Location:
3859 Union Road, Suite 1000, Cheektowaga, NY 14225

Time:
11am-12pm

REGISTER HERE:



ANAL LEVEL BOOTCAMP
LEVEL 1 COPE FITNESS

Fitness Coach: Genetino Coplin



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You're invited!

MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS SYMPOSIUM: IT'S OKAY NOT TO BE OK!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024 | 11AM-3PM | NORTHLAND WORKFORCE TRAINING CENTER | 683 NORTHLAND AVE. | BUFFALO, NY 14211

The Mental Health & Wellness Initiative for men of color through the Buffalo Fatherhood Initiative and Breaking Barriers aims to create brave & safe spaces for fathers, boys and young men of color to build, bond, and talk about mental health. It's time to take better care of ourselves gentlemen! USE THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!!!



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE FOOD, YOGA, FITNESS BOOT CAMPS, GAMES, DJ, PHOTO BOOTH, WORKSHOPS & SAWUBONA HEALING CIRCLES!!!




6th Annual Fatherhood & BMOC Conference

THE POWER OF MENTORSHIP

BECAUSE EVERY FATHER HAS THE HEART OF A MENTOR

FRIDAY & SATURDAY
OCT 11 - 12 2024
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Locations
Both in-person days include breakfast & lunch

FRIDAY - M HOTEL BUFFALO
2040 Walden Ave, Buffalo, NY 14225
Provider focus: Practitioners, Stakeholders, Community Advocates & Elected Officials.

SATURDAY - THE CHAPEL, CHEEKTOWAGA CAMPUS
200 Thurway Plaza Dr, Cheektowaga, NY 14225
Community focus: Community Fathers, young men, boys & community Members.

REGISTER TODAY!



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Q & A



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