

"Our mission and values continue to be our north star as we navigate through this pandemic. We are excited to adapt and evolve in order to remain a relevant resource for our Quad Cities."



JERRY JONES, **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

MISSION

Inspire greatness in the Quad Cities through community-building, education and service

VISION

A thriving, beloved community rooted in justice, equity and respect for one another

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- Strengthen our brand and message
- Diversify funding
- Bolster the quality and outcomes of our programs
- Create a welcoming 5-star facility

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Remote Learning Care continued in the first half of 2021, Summer Day Camp resumed in June and July, and After-School Program resumed in August. All of our youth programs are

YOUTH SERVED

currently at maximum capacity, with long waiting lists.

"Before the pandemic, my son Sincere was an honor student. Unfortunately, he really struggled with remote learning. I'd come home from work in the evening, and my usually-happy boy would be frustrated and discouraged.

I signed him up for Remote Learning Care,

By the end of the term, his grades had improved from 46% to 85%! The King Center has had my back. I don't know what I would have done without them!"



FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER

Our three social workers go into homes, schools, and community settings to meet with people in need of support, in order to keep families together safely. They provide counseling, case management, crisis intervention, parent coaching, and much more.

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"Each and every day, the MLK Center is changing lives, from our seniors to our kiddos. I love the feeling that my dollars are making a real impact in the future of our community."

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"When I came to the King Center, they paid attention to ME. My grades got better because of that. I felt bigger."

Betty + Sincere

PREVENTION EDUCATION

Our three Prevention
Specialists provide classroombased education to prevent
substance use and pregnancy
in the Rock Island/Milan
School District.

These lessons emphasize social-emotional learning and other life skills – which are more essential than ever.

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SIXTH, SEVENTH & EIGHTH GRADERS



"The King Center teaches me respect, and to be good when no one is looking. They also teach me that if someone else thinks I can't do something, I should say, "Watch me do it!

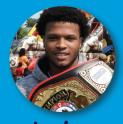
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EVENTS & RECOGNITION



VOLUNTEER-LED PROGRAMS

- Metropolitan Youth Program
- **ACTIVE Club**
- Rock Island Boxing Club



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USA Boxing Team

20-year-old Rock **Island Boxing** Club member Vershaun Lee won a national championship and earned a spot on the USA Boxing Team.

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In February and March, when vaccines were still scarce, we teamed up with the Rock Island County Health Department to provide vaccination clinics for ACTIVE Club members, who were among the most high-risk at that time.

BOARD MEMBERS

- Tia Edwards (President)

- Kayla Babers
- - Kenny Massey
- Ted Pappas Jr
- **Dennis Pauley**





Linda Barnes (Treasurer)

Aimee Bland

Heidi Huiskamp-Collins

Moses Robinson Jr

Dr Monica Smith



3,500 THANKSGIVING **MEALS SERVED**

2,500 **ATTENDED FAMILY FUN DAY**



Two staff members were named Rock Island Citizens of the Year



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