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Sanford is a My Brother's Keeper Designated Community

Join Us at the Fall Community Summit

Thursday, November 12, 8:00AM – 12:30PM

Sanford Civic Center, 401 E Seminole Blvd, Sanford

The Sanford City Commission endorsed the City accepting the challenge to become a "My Brother's Keeper (MBK) designated community. The MBK initiative launched by President Barack Obama in February of 2014 is intended to address persistent opportunity gaps facing boys and young men of color to ensure all young people can reach their full potential. The MBK program supports African American and Hispanic males with certain programs that increase self-esteem, reduce disciplinary and law enforcement involvement, and boost academic performance. In some school districts the dropout rate for Black and Hispanic males is as high as 50%. In 2012, Black males were 6 times more likely to be imprisoned than White males. Also, Black, American-Indian, and Hispanic children are between six and nine times more likely than White children to live in areas of concentrated poverty

Sanford Future Claimer's (a consortium of agencies and organizations) organized to move the MBK initiative forward in the Sanford community, developed an Action Plan to reduce disparities related to young African-Americans and Hispanic males in the Seminole High School cluster area of Sanford.

Join us on Thursday, November 12th, 2015, 8:00AM – 12:30PM, at the Sanford Civic Center, 401 E. Seminole Blvd, Sanford. Learn more about the Plan, share your thoughts, and make a commitment to get involved.

For More information and to RSVP contact Andrew Thomas, Community Relations and Neighborhood Engagement Director, City of Sanford, 407-688-5132 or Andrew.thomas@sanfordfl.gov please visit the official My Brother's Keeper website to learn all about the positive information surrounding this initiative <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/02/27/fact-sheet-opportunity-all-president-obama-launches-my-brother-s-keeper->

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