

# Our Team



**MNCAPD**  
MINNESOTA COMMUNITY OF AFRICAN  
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Minnesota Community of African People with Disabilities is a non-profit organization founded in 2014 by an East African immigrant. Our organization's mission is to break down generational trauma, language, and cultural barriers that affect immigrants, especially those with disabilities. They aim to provide families with the confidence to ask for help and access resources for their loved ones with disabilities. Our organization also focuses on supporting caregivers who often experience mental health issues. We strive to create a safe environment where everyone can express their needs and succeed without feeling ashamed or humiliated. Our organization acknowledges that building a strong community takes time, and we are committed to making a difference in people's lives especially those experiencing disability



Fortune Relief and Youth Empowerment Organization (FRAYEO) was founded in 2016. Since its inception the organization has grown into a leading refugee and immigrant organization in the Twin Cities metro area. Our mission is to provide employment and other support services to youth and adults in the community by focusing on stabilizing the economic and social lives of the members of the East African community by assisting with cultural adjustment and increasing the socio-economic well-being of the community. We strive to achieve this goal by providing a continuum of care to the East African community and culturally specific programs aimed at positively transforming the social and economic structures. In the year 2022 we served more than 120 young adults in workforce development and other programs.

## ROOTS CONNECT

Roots Connect is a non-profit organization with six years of experience that focuses on offering culture-specific services at the grassroots level. The organization was founded by member of the community 2016 after recognized the difficulties faced by the community members when dealing with essential paperwork. Roots Connect supports activism, educational equity, voluntarism, service learning/mentoring, and youth development initiatives. The organization aims to inspire healthy communities by connecting people with programs that support their aspirations and create a thriving, inclusive environment.

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