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Openings Still Available for ‘Bridges Out of Poverty’ Conference, June 9-10

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Openings remain for those interested in attending the Upper Mississippi Regional Bridges Out of Poverty Conference on June 9-10 at the Grand River Center. The event, based on the Bridges Out of Poverty constructs, is aimed at groups from across the tri-states working to reduce poverty in their communities and to create opportunities for all.

The conference is sponsored by aha! Process, Inc. and other regional event sponsors including the Greater Dubuque Development Corporation, the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, Project Hope, and City of Dubuque Circles Initiative.

The event begins at 5 p.m. on Monday, June 9, with dinner and keynote reception by Dr. Ruby Payne, founder and CEO of aha! Process, Inc. and co-author of the book, Bridges Out of Poverty. On Tuesday, June 10, Mike Saccocio, Executive Director of City Mission in Schenectady, N.Y., will share details on how Schenectady has achieved amazing results with its cross-sector Bridges initiative. Tuesday sessions will begin with an overview of the aha! Process Resource Builder approach to community development followed by sector-specific breakout sessions and facilitated group workshops.

To register for the Upper Mississippi Bridges Out of Poverty Conference, visit www.ahaprocess.com/event/upper-mississippi-bridges-poverty-conference or call 832-514-3042. Registration cost is \$189 for the two-day event; \$50 for Monday, June 9; or \$159 for Tuesday, June 10. Attendee sponsorship is available for \$250 and includes one ticket to the keynote reception and dinner, a meet-and-greet with Dr. Payne, and funding for one low-income individual to attend the conference.

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