



Empowerment Challenge

Working together to transform Omaha into a great city, thriving and prosperous, in every zip code and neighborhood.

2023 TAKE THE CHALLENGE! DO YOUR PART & USE OUR COLLECTIVE STRENGTH!

COVENANT AGREEMENT:

- Live by our Values: Faith. Family. Unity. Community. Respect. Personal Responsibility. Leadership Accountability. Collaboration.
- Live By the Way We Operate: We focus on the Positive. We are Proactive. We build Partnerships. We Choose to Build Each Other Up.
- Live by Core Principles: Black-led. Community-based. Shared Decision-making. Invest in Ourselves. Strategic Partnerships w/Allies.

PARTICIPATE With: Empowerment Network Omaha 360 Village Meetings Other _____

1. Faith (Live our Faith) **Actively discover your purpose and use your gifts, talents & strengths.** Support your church/worship center.

2. Education (Prepare our Children) **Become a Mentor/Coach!** We will connect you w/ 100 Black Men, Mentor Nebraska or others.
www.mmpomaha.org www.100blackmenomaha.org www.bbbsomaha.org www.p4k.org/
 Participate actively in your child's education. Attend parent/teacher conf./school board. Volunteer at a school.

3. Health
(Protect our Health) **Get insurance.** Establish a relationship with identified medical and dental providers and get an annual medical, dental and behavioral health check-up or screening. Support stores with fresh fruit and vegetables.
 Get informed about health & life insurance/learn about school-based health centers: www.charlesdrewhcomaha.org

4. Healthy Families
(Strengthen our Families) **Increase the quantity and quality of time spent with families.** Reduce television time.
 Assist families in need. Volunteer with and contribute to effective organizations that serve families.

5. Economics
(Build our Wealth) Identify your strengths. Read/Study. Attend career/leadership development events. Budget/Manage your finances.
 Support black-owned businesses (#BlackBusinessCampaign), North Omaha businesses (Shop North Omaha!), and businesses that support community efforts & employ African-Americans, North Omaha residents, and others.

6. Crime Prevention
(Love our Neighbor) Partner w/ your worship center, neighborhood, police and organization to help prevent & reduce crime & violence.
 Take the Omaha 360 Challenge: Pledge for Peace www.empoweromaha.com

7. Civil Rights and Justice
(Stand for Justice) Become aware of policies and how the justice system works. **Support prison, justice and reentry reform.**
 Join the NAACP and other civil rights/justice efforts. www.omahanaacp.org
 Become a member of Urban League, Malcolm X & other organizations. www.urbanleagueneb.org

8. Housing/Neighborhoods
(Own our Homes) Attend homeownership classes. **Become a homeowner.** Join your neighborhood assoc. & actively participate.
Contact Family Housing Advisory Services at 402-934-6603 www.fhasinc.org
North Omaha Neighborhood Alliance (NONA) at 402-457-7848 www.nonaomaha.org

9. Voting/Politics
(Raise our Vote!) **Register to vote. Vote early, encourage others to vote and take someone with you.**
 Call/contact your elected officials to support legislation that positively impacts your community.

10. Environment
(Clean our Neighborhoods) Help keep your neighborhoods clean. **Participate in neighborhood clean-ups.** Support green solutions.

11. Technology
(Cross the Divide) **Work to make sure that children in your home and community have access to computers and the internet.**

12. Communications/Media
(Own our Communications) **Support positive African-American media outlets** and voice your concerns to media that present inaccurate and unbalanced coverage.
 Subscribe to the Omaha Star - (402) 346-4041 **Support AA and North Omaha Media**
 Contact the media to let them know you want positive news covered in your community.

13. Cultural Arts/History
(Embrace our True Culture) **Support and attend cultural arts, activities, events, organizations and venues.**
 Support the Malcolm X Foundation <http://malcolmxfoundation.org>
 Support the Great Plains Black History Museum, Union for Contemporary Arts & others in N.O.
 Support arts, culture, entertainment, businesses & community events at 24th and Lake/N.O.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____

TOTAL SCORE: ____ of 30

