**Vision:**

To provide members of SSPRPA and other professionals in the parks & recreation field a committee where Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) are discussed. The Diversity committee topics will focus on/around recent events/news, gender, race, religion, culture, and ability. During meetings members will are encouraged to share ideas, problem solve and talk about DEI in the park, conservation, and recreation field. We generally meet after the SSPRPA General monthly Meeting. The Diversity Committee is a safe space and helps promote IPRA’s DEI initiatives.

**Goals:**

1. Coordinate and complete one service project decided on by the committee.
2. Be a resource for agencies belonging to SSPRPA.
3. Meet on a regular basis during the SSPRPA year (September-May).

**Previous Topics:**

* Video/Recent Event Discussions
* DEI in Hiring practices
* How to incorporate DEI into our agencies.
* Accessibility and programming
* Special Events and Inclusivity
* Service Project

Meeting Dates and Topics

**October 19- After SSPRPA General Meeting (Burr Ridge)**

TEAMS INFO

Meeting ID: 216 367 951 843
Passcode: Usb2WV

*Meet and Greet & discuss topics (30 mins max)*

*In person and Teams Link*

**November 9- After SSPRPA General Meeting (Frankfort)**

*Topic TBD*

*In person and Teams Link*

**December 14: SOCIAL- Thunder Bowl Mokena**

*Service Project: Collection of items for the Crisis Center- Keith Wallace*

*In person only*

*Items accepted: see image below*

**January-May**

TBD at October meeting