

### AFEDI Council Update:

#### August Meetings

Aug. 15, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm via [Zoom](#)

Aug. 26, 9:00 am - 10:30 am via [Zoom](#)

If you would like to join the AFEDI Council, have ideas you would like to share, or know of a CHR employee that should be featured in our diversity newsletter, please contact **Ngina McMillian**, Director of DE&I, or an AFEDI Council member.

## Upcoming Events



### Self-study Sprints through LCS are available here: [Training | Leading Culture Solutions](#)

These are shorter learning opportunities, about 10-15 minutes each, that allow you to delve into important DE&I topics at your own pace.



#### **CHR All Staff Training with Leading Culture Solutions**

*Module 3 Business Case for Change Intro*

August 8, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

[JOIN ZOOM HERE](#)

*Module 3 Business Case for Change Outro*

August 25, 10:00 am – 11:30 am

[JOIN ZOOM HERE](#)

#### **CHR Community Conversation with Leading Culture Solutions – Unconscious Bias**

Thursday, August 18, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

[JOIN ZOOM HERE](#)

#### **Diversity without Adversity Training for New Hires**

Thursday, August 18, 5 pm – 8 pm

Friday, August 19, 1 pm – 4 pm

# Upcoming Cultural Events



Attending cultural events is a great way to learn more about cultures. Connecticut is celebrating many different cultures this month. Here are a few. If you know of any other events happening in your area, please share them with DE&I or the AFEDI Council at [nmcmillian@chrhealth.org](mailto:nmcmillian@chrhealth.org) or [afedi@chrhealth.org](mailto:afedi@chrhealth.org).

## Taste of the Caribbean & Jerk Festival

*Saturday, August 6, 11 am – 9 pm*

Mortensen Riverfront Plaza  
300 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## Meriden Puerto Rican Festival

*Sunday, August 7, 12 pm – 8 pm*

Hubbard Park  
999 W Main St, Meriden, CT 06451  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## 60th West Indian Independence Celebrations

*Saturday, August 13, 11 am*

Bushnell Park  
Downtown, Hartford, CT 06103

- Parade 12 pm – 3 pm (from North Main Street, Hartford to Carnival Village in Bushnell Park)
- Carnival Village 1 pm – 6 pm
- Concert 3 pm – 8:30 pm

[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## Pratt Street Salsa Social

*Friday, August 19, 5 pm – 8 pm*

Pratt Street Historic District  
Hartford, CT 06103  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## Riverfront Dragon Boat & Asian Festival

*Saturday, August 20, 8 am – 4 pm*

Mortensen Riverfront Plaza  
300 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## Greater Hartford Puerto Rican Day Parade & Festival del Coqui

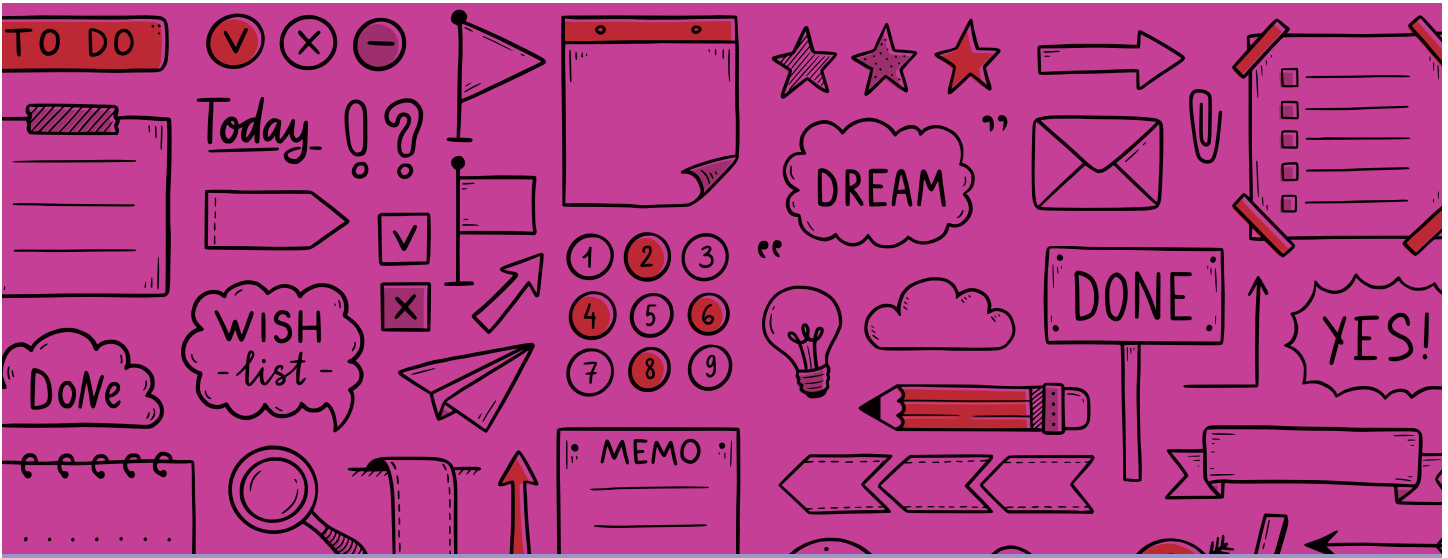
*Sunday, August 21, 11 am – 8 pm*

Pavilion at Bushnell Park  
1 Jewell St, Hartford, CT 06103  
Parade 11 am from Wawarme Avenue and Wethersfield Avenue to Bushnell Park  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)

## Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation Schemitzun Feast of Green Corn and Dance

*Saturday, August 27 – Sunday, August 28*  
*Saturday 10 am – 10 pm*  
*Sunday 10 am – 6 pm*

2 Matt's Path, Mashantucket, CT  
[SEE DETAILS HERE](#)



# Diversity Calendar



## August Diversity Holidays

**AUG 1:** Lughnasadh (Gaelic)

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**AUG 3:** Black Women's Equal Pay Day

**AUG 5:** Tisha B'Av (Jewish)

**AUG 7:** Ashura (Islamic)

**AUG 7:** Purple Heart Day

**AUG 9:** International Day of the World's Indigenous People

**AUG 11:** Raksha Bandhan (Hindu)

**AUG 12:** International Youth Day

**AUG 12:** Hungry Ghost Festival (Chinese)

**AUG 13:** Ullambana Ohon (Buddhist)

**AUG 15:** Feast in Honor of Holy Mother of Jesus (Orthodox Christian)

**AUG 15:** Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary (Orthodox Catholic)

**AUG 15:** Dormition of the Theotokos (Orthodox Catholic)

**AUG 17:** Marcus Garvey Day

**AUG 18 – 19:** Krishna Janmashtami (Hindu)

**AUG 19:** World Humanitarian Day

**AUG 21:** World Senior Citizens Day

**AUG 21:** Khordad Sal (India)

**AUG 23:** International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition

**AUG 24:** Paryushana Parva Begins (Jainism)

**AUG 26:** Women's Equality Day

**AUG 31:** Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu)