



**DCCP Vision:**

An engaged community that values the opinions and ideas of others and is committed to civil behavior and discourse.

**DCCP Mission:**

To foster and incorporate the principles of civility into the fabric of everyday life in Door County.

**Door County Civility Project History:**

The Civility Project is based on the work of Dr. P.M, Forni of Johns Hopkins University who authored Choosing Civility and The Civility Solution .

2003 Duluth-Superior Area Community Foundation’s Civility Project: “Speak Your Peace” was initiated.

2010 Oshkosh Civility Project was formed.

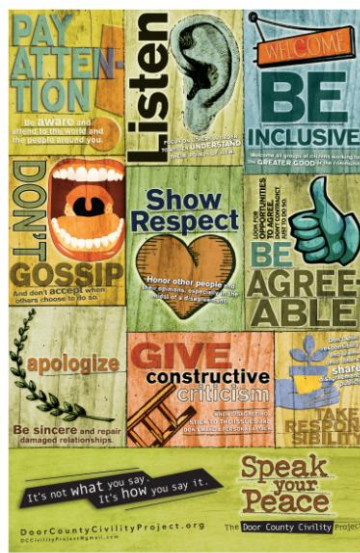
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**DOOR COUNTY CIVILITY PLEDGE**

*Today and Every Day I Aspire to Practice the Following Skills:*

- \* **Pay Attention** - Be Aware of Others & Sensitive to the Immediate Context of Actions
- \* **Listen Closely** - Understand Other Points of View
- \* **Be Inclusive** - Welcome All; Don't Exclude Anyone
- \* **Don't Gossip** - Remind Others of the Importance of this Practice
- \* **Show Respect** - Honor Others (Especially in Disagreement)
- \* **Be Agreeable** - Find Opportunities to Agree
- \* **Apologize Sincerely** - Repair Damaged Relationships
- \* **Give Constructive Comments, Suggestions & Feedback** - No Personal Attacks (Focus on Issues)
- \* **Accept Responsibility** - Don't Shift Blame; Share Disagreements Publicly

*Commit to the Civility Pledge online at [doorcountycivilityproject.org](http://doorcountycivilityproject.org) or mail the form below to PO Box 675 Sturgeon Bay WI 54235- 0675*

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It is easy, yes... so easy, to be civil with people who agree with you and those who think like you do! The challenge is to be civil with those who strongly disagree with you and do not share your opinions!



Civility means weaving together restraint, respect and responsibility as we interact with others.



It is quite possible to be true to one's beliefs and be civil at the same time.



The DCCP is NOT a campaign to end all disagreements ... but a campaign to make it safe to disagree.



### *What are people saying about the Door County Civility Project?*

"We live in an extraordinary community – a community that people are impassioned about - and when we couple that passion with a culture of respect and understanding, there isn't a challenge we can't overcome - together!"

"This begins a new era here in Door County – One of engaging our community to be the best it can be through the collective wisdom of its people!"

"This means that we can engage in open honest discussions and at the end of the day, it's ok to agree to disagree as long as our discussions are respectful and inclusive of all viewpoints."

"A great initiative from Door County, especially in these changing times, to recognize that some things are constant and the community is a foundation to care for us all."



**The Door County Civility Project (DCCP) is a community-based initiative that advances the cause of civility in everyday life to strengthen our shared community.**

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