Mayors Summit on At-Risk Youth

The Marriott Miami Biscayne Bay
Miami, FL

Internal Draft Agenda
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Wednesday, March 21, 2007
(Terrace, Lobby Level)

6:30 p.m. Opening Reception

Thursday, March 22, 2007
(Salon E)

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Introductions and Opening Remarks

THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS H. PALMER
Mayor of Trenton
President
The U.S. Conference of Mayors

THE HONORABLE MANUEL A. DIAZ
Mayor of Miami
Vice President
The U.S. Conference of Mayors

TOM COCHRAN
Executive Director
The U.S. Conference of Mayors
A FOCUS ON IN-SCHOOL AT-RISK YOUTH

9:00 a.m.  Opening Presentation

The Crisis of Minority Youth in Education

RUSSLYNN ALI
Executive Director
Education Trust West

A national overview of the status of educational opportunities for at-risk youth, as well as examples, data and suggested strategies to improve school retention and high school graduation rates.

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.  Successful High School Dropout Prevention Strategies

The panel will present successful efforts on high school dropout prevention strategies to improve retention, increase graduation rates, and aid in the transition to postsecondary education

THE HONORABLE DANNEL P. MALLOY
Mayor of Stamford

MICHAEL DUGGAN
Executive Director
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THE HONORABLE ROBERT DUFFY
Mayor of Rochester

Dr. RUDOLPH F. “RUDY” CREW
Superintendent of Schools
Miami-Dade County

10:45 – 11:00 a.m.  BREAK

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  Combating School-Based Violence and Gang Activity

Moderator:    ALBERT A. PEARSELL, III
Senior Policy Analyst
Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office)
U.S. Department of Justice
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  

**Combating School-Based Violence and Gang Activity (cont’d)**

**Panel:**

TIM QUINN  
Chief of Staff  
Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office)  
U.S. Department of Justice

BRYAN WILLIAMS  
Program Analyst  
Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools  
U.S. Department of Education

THE HONORABLE JOHN M. FABRIZI  
Mayor of Bridgeport

BRYAN NORWOOD  
Chief of Police  
City of Bridgeport

KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE  
State Attorney  
Eleventh Judicial Circuit  
Miami-Dade County

12:00 p.m.  
**Lunch**

12:30 p.m.  

**Keynote Speaker**  

**The Current State of Gangs in America**

SCOTT DECKER  
Director  
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice  
Arizona State University

*A national overview of gang activity and recruitment and its impact on high school dropout and in-school violence rates.*

1:00 p.m.  

**Keeping Kids in School: Successful After-School Programming as a Tool for School Retention**

THE HONORABLE DOUGLAS H. PALMER  
Mayor of Trenton  
President  
The U.S. Conference of Mayors
1:00 p.m. Keeping Kids in School: Successful After-School Programming as a Tool for School Retention (cont’d)

RODNEY LOFTON
Superintendent of Schools
The Trenton Public School District

THE HONORABLE DAVID N. CICILLINE
Mayor of Providence

DR. DONNIE EVANS
Superintendent of Schools
City of Providence

2:00 – 2:15 p.m. BREAK

2:15 p.m. Converting Diplomas to Dollars: Strategies to Better Link Education and Workforce

An overview of strategies and lessons learned in efforts to transform urban education, address the needs of dropouts and better prepare students for the workforce

MARTY BELL
Deputy to the Superintendent
Jefferson County Public Schools
Louisville Metro

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
Louisville Metro

THE HONORABLE R.T. RYBACK
Mayor of Minneapolis

MIKE CHRISTENSON
Director of Economic Development
City of Minneapolis

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Increasing Parental Involvement and Community Support

THE HONORABLE MARK MALLORY
Mayor of Cincinnati
3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Increasing Parental Involvement and Community Support (cont’d)

Truancy Reduction and Prevention Program (TRAPP)/YouthStat Initiative

BARRY COLICELLI
Special Assistant for Anti-Gang Initiatives and Youth Development
City of Trenton

4:00 p.m. ADJOURN

4:30 - 6:30 p.m. U.S. Conference of City Human Service Officials (Watson Island)
Annual Meeting
**Friday, March 23, 2007**
(Salon E)

8:30 a.m.   Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.   **Introductions and Opening Remarks**

THE HONORABLE ROBERT DUFFY  
Mayor of Rochester  
Chair, Criminal and Social Justice Committee

**A FOCUS ON OUT-OF-SCHOOL AT-RISK YOUTH**

9:15 a.m.   **Opening Presentation**

*Discouraged and Disconnected: A Look at the Growing Problem of High School Dropouts and Jobless Youth*

PAUL HARRINGTON  
Associate Director  
The Center for Labor Market Studies  
Northeastern University

*A national overview of the youth employment crisis and increasing lack of educational attainment among urban at-risk youth, and a highlight of strategies to overcome this crisis.*

10:00 a.m.   **Moving Forward: Connecting Youth Offenders to New Opportunities Upon Reentry**

THE HONORABLE ERIC J. PERRODIN (Invited)  
Mayor of Compton

JOHN TIMONEY  
Chief of Police  
City of Miami

THE HONORABLE JOHN F. STREET  
Mayor of Philadelphia

SALLIE GLICKMAN  
CEO  
Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board
11:00 a.m.  Break

11:15 a.m.  Employing Out-of-School Youth

*The panel will present successful outreach efforts to engage out-of-school youth and return them to a positive educational environment and/or productive employment.*

ROBERT SAINZ  
Assistant General Manager  
Community Development Department  
City of Los Angeles

DAVID CRIPPENS  
Chair  
Los Angeles Workforce Investment Board, Youth Council

CONNY DOTY  
Director  
Boston Office of Jobs and Community Services

ROBERT J. WELLS  
Vice President  
Corporate Communications and Public Affairs  
The Sherwin Williams Company

12:30 p.m.  LUNCH

1:00 p.m.  At-Risk Youth Roundtable Discussion

Moderator  
Dr. RUDOLPH F. “RUDY” CREW  
Superintendent of Schools  
Miami-Dade County

2:00 p.m.  Broken Connections: Reconnecting Youth to School, Work and Community

WANSLEY WALTERS  
Director  
Miami-Dade County Juvenile Services Department

EMMANUEL SHAHID AVRAHAM  
President/CEO  
The Human Excellence Resource Group
2:00 p.m.  Broken Connections: Reconnecting Youth to School, Work and Community

WILLIE "PROPHET" STIGGER
President/CEO
Hip Hop Global Reach Foundation

3:00 p.m.  Adjournment