

**The U.S. Conference of Mayors
Workforce Development Council (WDC)
Board/Annual Conference
June 12-13, 2009
Providence, RI**

The Westin Providence Hotel
One West Exchange Street

Draft Agenda
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Friday, June 12, 2009

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
(Room TBD)

**Mayors and Workforce Development Directors Breakfast:
Creating and Managing Effective Summer Jobs Programs**

Sponsored by The U.S. Conference of Mayors Workforce Development Council (WDC), this breakfast will examine mayoral leadership in efforts to engage youth in Summer Jobs programs; specifically addressing effective implementation of the \$1.2 billion investment in youth employment under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The breakfast will provide mayors with an opportunity to dialogue with their local workforce development members about strategies used in cities across the country that have proven effective in providing youth with quality work experience.

Presiding: JERRY E. ABRAMSON (Invited)
Mayor of Louisville

Remarks: MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERG (Invited)
Mayor of New York

THOMAS M. MENINO (Confirmed)
Mayor of Boston

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
(Room TBD)

**Mayors and Workforce Development Directors Breakfast:
Creating and Managing Effective Summer Jobs Programs
(cont'd)**

KATHRYN L. TAYLOR (Confirmed)
Mayor of Tulsa
Vice Chair for Workforce, Jobs, Education and the Workforce
Standing Committee

Greetings:

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
Louisville
WDC President

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.
(Room TBD)

Welcome and Meeting Overview

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
Louisville
WDC President

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.

Break (Travel to Mayor's Workshop)

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
(Room TBD)

**Mayor's Workshop: Green Today, Jobs Tomorrow -- A Focus
on Training the Green Collar Workforce**

This workshop showcases mayors who are embracing the green economy in a number of innovative ways, and who have developed a workforce training strategy that positions their cities for substantial future investment in the new energy economy. Their programs bring together business, education and training, labor, environmental, community- and faith-based, and policy advocacy partners and stakeholders to work on nurturing a green economy and talent base.

Presiding:

KATHRYN L. TAYLOR (Invited)
Mayor of Tulsa
Vice Chair for Workforce, Jobs, Education and the Workforce
Standing Committee

GREG NICKELS (Invited)
Mayor of Seattle
Vice President, The U.S. Conference of Mayors

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
(Room TBD)

Mayor’s Workshop: Green Today, Jobs Tomorrow -- A Focus on Training the Green Collar Workforce (cont’d)

MICHAEL BLOOMBERG (Invited)
Mayor of New York

BILL WHITE (Invited)
Mayor of Houston

MICHAEL NUTTER (Invited)
Mayor of Philadelphia

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch – (Room TBD)

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Solar Richmond

Training and Employing Low-Income Residents and Youth in Green Jobs

MICHELE McGEOY (Invited)
Executive Director
Solar Richmond

2:15 p.m.

Board Buses for Site Visit

(Archway Bus Transportation, Inc.)

2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Site Visit

(Providence netWORKri Career Center, One Reservoir Ave)

4:30 p.m.

Board Buses to Return to Hotel

(The Westin Providence Hotel)

6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Welcome to Providence

Providence welcomes its visiting mayors with a classic seafood dinner at the Bank of America City Center in the heart of the city, located directly across the street from the Westin and the Biltmore, the two hotels serving as hosts of the Conference. Our visitors will be greeted by the fife and drum corps of the Pawtuxet Rangers, originally chartered by the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in 1774. Guests will feast on a New England style seafood dinner with chowder, clam cakes and the works and enjoy dance music by Nancy Paolino and the Black Tie Band.

6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Welcome to Providence (cont'd)

(Casual Attire – collared shirts, khakis, Bermuda shorts, slacks, sundresses, comfortable shoes.)

(Within walking distance of the hotels.)

10:00 p.m. - Midnight

After Party at Aspire

Located in the Hotel Providence, 311 Westminster St., with indoor and outdoor seating, live music.

Saturday, June 13, 2009

(Room TBD)

8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Opening Remarks

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
Louisville
WDC President

Washington Update

KATHY AMOROSO
Assistant Executive Director
U.S. Conference of Mayors

WDC Business

- Budget
- Calendar
- Membership Report
- Congressional Forum

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

WDC Pre-Conference Workshop Discussion/Resource Development Committee Update

STEVE CORONA
President and CEO
Job Works

10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

The Role of Wagner-Peyser Staff in WIA Reauthorization – A Review of WDC Congressional Testimony

KAREN SITNICK
Director
Office of Employment Development
City of Baltimore
WDC Vice President

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
(Room TBD)

Mayors’ Jobs, Education and the Workforce Standing Committee

Chair: FRANCIS G. SLAY
Mayor of St. Louis

Remarks: **Chicago LEADS**

RICHARD M. DALEY (Invited)
Mayor of Chicago

Post-Secondary Education Initiative

HILLARY PENNINGTON (Invited)
Director, U.S. Special Initiatives
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Digital Literacy

KATHRYN L. TAYLOR (Invited)
Mayor of Tulsa
Vice Chair for Workforce, Jobs, Education and the Workforce
Standing Committee

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
(Room TBD)

77th Annual Luncheon

A Celebration of City Livability – The Thirtieth Annual City Livability Awards Presentation honoring Mayors for exemplary leadership and achievement in developing programs that enhance the livability of America’s cities.

Awards Presentation: Barry H. Caldwell
Senior Vice President, Government
Affairs and Corporate Communications
Waste Management, Inc.
USCM Platinum Member

- 1:45 – 2:45 p.m.
(Room TBD) **Implementing Sector Strategies: Reinventing the Workforce System**
Results of P/PV's Sectoral Employment Impact Study
- PAMELA CALLOWAY (Confirmed)
Vice President for Program Development &
Director of California Office
Public/Private Ventures
- 2:45 – 3:45 p.m. **Moving Toward Regional Cooperation: The WDC Position for WIA Reauthorization**
- MARTIN AGUIRRE
CEO
Worksource of South Plains
- 3:45 p.m. **Closing Remarks and Next Steps**
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**
- 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. **Dinner at the Museum and WaterFire**
The new Chace Center at the Rhode Island School of Design Museum will provide the setting for cocktails and dinner. Guests will have an opportunity to roam the galleries of the Museum, taking in the world renowned collection of art – from Impressionism to American Art to European Master works to an exhibit of Marcel Breuer furniture. After enjoying cocktails and dinner in the Museum, guests will be invited to join tens of thousands of guests in downtown Providence who will gather to enjoy Providence's signature art installation WaterFire (www.waterfire.org), featuring 100 sparkling bonfires, and the fragrant scent of aromatic wood smoke and enchanting music from around the world. WaterFire has captured the imagination of over 10 million visitors and is a defining element of Providence.
- 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. **Dinner at the Museum and WaterFire (cont'd)**
(Casual Attire – collared shirts, khakis, Bermuda shorts, slacks, sundresses, comfortable shoes. A jacket or sweater may be needed as evenings can sometimes be cool. Within walking distance of the hotels.)
- 10:00 p.m. - Midnight **After Party at WaterPlace Restaurant**
- Sunday, June 14 through Tuesday, June 16: USCM Meeting**
(With your paid registration fee, all USCM activities are open)