

**The U.S. Conference of Mayors
Workforce Development Council (WDC)
Board and Annual Winter Meeting
January 16-17, 2009**

**Capital Hilton
16th & K Streets NW
Washington, D.C.**

**Draft Agenda
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Friday, January 16
(South American Room)

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and President's Report**

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

WDC Business

- Membership Report
- Budget
- Calendar

Resource Committee Update

JOAN CRIGGER
Senior Consultant
The U.S. Conference of Mayors

9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Legislative Update**

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

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Obama/Biden Transition and Workforce Development**

JOHN COLBERT (Confirmed)
Partner
Moss, McGee, Bradley and Colbert

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Break**

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon **Second Economic Stimulus/FY '09 Appropriations Outlook**

MARK LAISCH (Confirmed)
Majority Professional Staff
Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Education
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. Senate

TERI BERGMAN (Invited)
Majority Professional Staff
Subcommittee on Labor-HHS, Education
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. **Working Lunch:**

Keynote Address

THE HONORABLE CHAKA FATTAH (Confirmed)
Appropriations Committee
Urban Caucus Chair
U.S. House of Representatives

Strategic Discussion

Positioning the Local Workforce System for the Economic Stimulus

MICHAEL GRITTON
Executive Director
KentuckianaWorks
WDC Vice President

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Workforce Outlook for the 111th Congress

Panel:

GERRI FIALA (Invited)
Majority Staff Director
Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

BETH BUEHLMANN (Confirmed)
Minority Education Policy Director
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

KELLY HASTINGS (Confirmed)
Minority Research Assistant
Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
U.S. Senate

MICHELE VARNHAGEN (Confirmed)
Senior Labor and Benefits Counsel
Committee on Education and Labor
U.S. House of Representatives

KIRSTEN DUNCAN (Confirmed)
Professional Staff
Committee on Education and Labor
U.S. House of Representatives

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

WDC Strategic Communications Plan Update

TOM PHILLIPS
President and CEO
Capital Workforce Partners, Inc.

6:30 p.m.

WDC Board Dinner
ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED
(Spezie, 1736 L Street NW)

Saturday, January 17

(Statler Room)

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome**
ROBERT SAINZ
Assistant General Manager
City of Los Angeles Community Development Department
WDC President

Election of Officers and Board of Trustees

9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Legislative Strategy Discussion**

Maximizing the WDC Strategic Communications Plan

RALPH SINISTRO
One Stop Manager
Summit County Department of Jobs and Family Services
Co-Chair, Advocacy Committee

Highlighting the Value of the Youth Opportunity Community Delivery System

JEFF SMITH
Public Policy/WIB Liaison
Office of Employment Development
City of Baltimore

11:00 a.m. **Break**

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Mayors Jobs, Education and the Workforce Standing Committee Meeting**
(Senate Room)

Open: FRANCIS G. SLAY
Mayor of St. Louis, Chair

The Mayor's Leadership Role in Building a Competitive Workforce – Green Jobs Creation and Offender Re-Entry Initiatives

Remarks: TOM BARRETT (Invited)
Mayor of Milwaukee

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
(Senate Room)

**Mayors Jobs, Education and the Workforce Standing
Committee Meeting (cont'd)**

**Teach for America: Effective Positive Change in Under-
Resourced Public Schools**

EMILY BARTON (Confirmed)
Executive Director
Teach for America - D.C. Region

MICHELE MCLAUGHLIN (Confirmed)
Vice President
Federal and State Policy
Teach for America

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
(Statler Room)

GreenPrint Providence

Providence's first-ever, strategic plan for creating a more sustainable city government and accelerating the green economy with Greenprint Providence. The wide-ranging plan contains a number of initiatives designed to help position Providence at the leading edge of a green economy poised for explosive growth.

ROBERT RICCI, ESQ.
Administrator
Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston

THE HONORABLE DAVID CICILLINE (Confirmed)
Mayor of Providence

2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Aligning Workforce and Adult Education

MICHAEL HOLMES (Confirmed)
Executive Director
St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment

KATHRYN JO MANNES (Confirmed)
Director
Center for Workforce and Economic Development
American Association of Community Colleges

3:15 p.m.

Break

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
(*Federal B Room*)

Poverty, Work and Opportunity Task Force

Chair:

ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA
Mayor of Los Angeles

Remarks:

THE HONORABLE JIM McDERMOTT (Invited)
Chair, Subcommittee on Income Security and
Family Support
Committee on Ways and Means
U.S. House of Representatives

5:15 p.m.
(*Statler Room*)

Wrap Up and Next Steps

5:30 p.m.

Adjourn

6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Mayors' Opening Reception/Dinner
(All Registered Meeting Participants)