

*14th Annual Caregivers Conference
A training conference for community and congregational caregivers*



*Wednesday, May 5, 2010
The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew
15300 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20905
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM*

Rx for Success: Create Connect Collaborate!

Join us at the 2010 Caregivers Conference to be in-touch, informed and inspired. For the past 14 years, we have brought frontline workers and County leaders together to hold our annual training conference to address the diversity of poverty in Montgomery County. Our long experience creating and partnering with helping agencies to strengthen resources and skills puts us in a unique position to establish this year's Conference to help you help neighbors in need in today's economy. You'll find expanded opportunities for learning and networking. Come to the 14th Annual Caregivers Conference for support to do the good work you do serving our community.

Sponsored by Interfaith Works (formerly CMMC)

www.iworksmc.org

*in partnership with the Montgomery County Office of Human Resources
and the Manna Food Center*

Invited Special Guests:

The Honorable County Executive Ike Leggett; The Honorable Nancy Floreen, Montgomery County Council President; Kojo Nnamdi, Host, WAMU-TV; Elizabeth Kneebone, The Brookings Institution; Todd Post, Bread for the World Institute; representatives from the White House Office of Faith Based Partnerships; Suzanne Gilbert, Maryland Citizen's Health Initiative; John Gonzalez, Newschannel 8/WJLA, Cinco de Mayo Musical Celebration by Luis Martinez, and more . . .

Conference Features

*Early Registration Discount (Online or Postmarked by March 15, 2010) * Continuing Education Units for Early Registrants * Inspiring Plenary & Workshops * Resource Materials * Client Awards * Networking with Peers & Policy Makers* New: Table Talk (Hunger, Health Care Reform, Clergy Connections), Giveaways!*

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REGISTRATION

Registration fee covers all tracks and lunch.

EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT:

IW / EAC Member: \$35.00

Online or Postmarked by March 15th

If unsure of current membership status of your agency or congregation,
please contact CCES Office, 301-315-1108

General Registration: \$40.00

Online or Postmarked by April 19

On-Site Registration: \$45.00

May 5, 2010

Register online at www.caregiversconference.org (credit card, check and purchase order). All participants who register online by April 19, 2010 are eligible to receive a customized lunch.

If you choose not to register online, you will select from an assortment of sandwiches at the conference. Mail your completed registration form and payment to Infinity Registration:

Infinity Registration, LLC

C/o Caregivers 2010

P.O. Box 6550

Largo, MD 20792-6550

Make checks payable to Interfaith Works

Fax credit card payments to (443) 458-0973

Registration Questions:

Email Contact@InfinityRegistration.com or Call (301) 333-5110

Refunds: Send your request in writing to R. Robinson at Interfaith Works/CMMC by April 19, 2010. We will charge a \$10 administrative fee and mail the balance of your refund by check via US mail. **No refunds after April 19, 2010.**

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Continuing Education Units

(Must register by April 20, and sign-in by 9:00 a.m. on May 5)

The Montgomery County Office of Human Resources (MCOHR) is approved and authorized by the Maryland Board of Social Work Examiners to provide Continuing Education Credits and maintains responsibility for this program. MCOHR is in voluntary compliance with the continuing education standards set by the National Association of Social Workers. MCOHR is recognized by the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) to offer continuing education for National Certified Counselors, provider #6080, and adheres to NBCC Continuing Education Guidelines.

CEU's (3.75) will be provided for pre-registrants. Participants are expected to be on time to each session and attend the entire Conference: Plenary(s) & Track sessions. Anyone arriving more than 15 minutes late or leaving before the end of a session will not receive CEUs. This policy will be followed to ensure compliance with the NASW and NBCC Continuing Education Guidelines.

Community Recognition Award

If you know someone in your congregation or local community who would be a good candidate for a Community Recognition Award, please contact the CCES Program at 301-315-1105. The awards support low-income residents in their efforts to become self-sufficient. Recipients have received grants to help buy books and pay for tuition to attend local schools. The awards will be presented at the Conference during the closing luncheon. Please visit our website for more details.

Conference Planning Committee

(Rev.) Dr. Rosetta Robinson, Founder/Principle Organizer (IW), Michaela Johnson (MCOHR), Amy Ginsburg, Manna Food Center; Cindy Majane (Germantown Help), Cynthia Norris (St. John the Baptist Catholic Community), Eugene Spencer (HOC), Alfred Thompson (City of Rockville), and Felicia Turner (MCDHHS).

Directions

The Lutheran Church of St. Andrew is located at the corner of New Hampshire Avenue and Norwood Road in Cloverly (approximately seven miles north of the Capital Beltway).

From the Beltway (Rt. 495): Take New Hampshire Avenue North (Exit 28) and go approximately 7 miles. Turn left on Norwood (at the church) and right into the parking lot.

From Rockville, Gaithersburg, and Points West: Take Norbeck Road (Rt. 28) east to either Norwood Road or New Hampshire Avenue, turn right, and proceed to the church.

From Olney, Ashton, and Points North: Take Norwood Road or New Hampshire Avenue south.

From Howard County and Prince Georges County: Take 29 South to either 198 West or Briggs Chaney Road West. Turn left on New Hampshire Avenue and right into our new parking lot (about a mile south of 198 and just past the Safeway).

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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

8:15 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. Opening Plenary

Welcome & Conference Overview: (Rev.) Dr. Rosetta Robinson

Greetings: County Officials

Invocation: Host Pastor

10:00 a.m. – Session 1 (Early Morning)
11:15 a.m.

Track A1: Emergency Tool Kit: Focus on Client Self-Sufficiency. This session addresses efforts to help low-income households take advantage of energy savings initiatives. *Topics include:*

- **Lights On:** Covers county and state utility assistance resources and services.
- **Lights Off:** Covers nonprofit and corporate programs to promote energy conservation.

Track B1: Health Care Blues: Whom do you turn to for help when you can't afford to buy a prescription to help you feel better? *Topics include:*

- **Community Pharmacy:** An overview of selected county and nonprofit services that provide prescriptions for low-income residents.
- **Hospital & Patient Assistance Programs:** How to get free drug samples as well as access patient assistance programs offered by pharmaceutical companies.

Track C1: Employment: Focus on Jobs: Helping low-income residents succeed in the marketplace. *Topics include:*

- **Who's Working and Where:** This workshop presents employment statistics, job trends, and implications for Montgomery County.
- **What's Working:** Best practices in training and counseling programs.

Track D1: Caregivers Clinic: Focus on Capacity-Building. Covers topics to help providers become better at what they do. *Topics include:*

- **New Normal:** An overview of what it takes to manage nonprofits in times of budget cuts and decreased donations.
- **Maximize Resources:** Provides helpful hints for effective use of volunteers, boards, and grants to do more with less.

11:15 a.m. Break

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11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. **Session 2 (Late Morning)**

Track A2: Emergency Tool Kit: Focus on Client Self-Sufficiency. Helping clients manage their money is an essential step toward building self-sufficiency.

Topics include:

- **Financial Fitness I:** Learn about community efforts to improve financial literacy among low-income populations.
- **Financial Fitness II:** In their Own Words: Hear client testimonials on how they are living within their means by managing resources.

Track B2: Health Care Reform: What's it all about? Topics include:

- **Legislation:** A snapshot of the pending legislation and prognosis for survival.
- **Advocacy:** What others are doing to expand health care coverage. What you can do.

Track C2: Employment: Focus on Jobs: Helping low-income residents succeed in the marketplace. **Topics include:**

- **New Priorities:** Insights about policies to make work, work for low-income households, including the potential for green jobs.
- **New Opportunities:** Here about creative partnerships. (congregational, community and county)

Track D2: Caregivers Clinic: Focus on Capacity-Building. Covers topics to help providers become better at what they do. **Topics include:**

- **Stressed Out:** Listening to the warning signs affecting well-being and finding a remedy
- **Personal Growth:** A prescription just for you.

1:00 p.m. **Cinco de Mayo Closing Networking Luncheon**

Entertainment: Luis Martinez

John Gonzalez, Newschannel 8/WJLA-TV.

Luncheon (Optional: Table Talks)

Amidst the ambience of musical entertainment, attendees have an opportunity to relax with peers at unreserved tables or to gather at reserved tables for Table Talk to continue conversations about a specific topic. Register online (www.CaregiversConference.org) for Table Talk.

1:45 p.m. Community Recognition Awards
Closing Remarks

2:00 p.m. **Evaluations/Exhibits/Networking**

2:30 p.m. **Post-conference Field Trip** (pending availability and registration) (Return by 3:30 p.m.)