



Consultation on Community Philanthropy in Appalachia

National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) Building

One Dupont Circle NW

NCHE Conference Center, Level 1B

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Meeting Objective

Educate Appalachian Regional Commission federal, state, and local partners and other stakeholders about community foundations in Appalachia and their role in economic and community development.

Agenda

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration, Coffee and Bagels**
- 9:00 a.m. **Opening Remarks, Agenda Overview, and Introductions**
- Earl F. Gohl, *Federal Co-Chair, Appalachian Regional Commission*
 - Janet Topolsky, *Co-Director, Community Strategies Group, The Aspen Institute, Meeting Facilitator*
- 9:30 a.m. **An Overview of Community Philanthropy in Appalachia**
- John Molinaro, *Co-Director, Community Strategies Group, The Aspen Institute*
- 10:00 a.m. **Transfer of Wealth and Tax Credits in Appalachia**
- Don Macke, *Director, Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) Center for Rural Entrepreneurship*
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 11:00 a.m. **The Practice of Appalachian Community Foundations**
- Judy Sjostedt, *Executive Director, Parkersburg Area Community Foundation & Affiliates (West Virginia)*
 - Leanne Mazer, *Executive Director, Tri-County Council for Western Maryland*
 - Cara Dingus Brook, *President and Chief Executive Officer, Foundation for Appalachian Ohio*
 - Mike Clayborne, *President, CREATE Foundation, Inc. (Mississippi)*
- 12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

- 12:45 p.m. **Perspective and Services for Appalachia: Council on Foundations**
- Heather Scott, *Managing Director, Community Foundation Services*
 - Diane Miller, *Director, Community Foundation Services*
 - Stephanie Powers, *Managing Director, Public-Philanthropic Partnerships*
- 1:30 p.m. **Other Stakeholder Perspectives on Developing Community Philanthropy**
- Harry Carver, *Special Projects Manager, Office of State Programs (Endow Kentucky), Kentucky Department for Local Government*
 - Barry Denk, *Executive Director, Center for Rural Pennsylvania*
- 2:00 p.m. **Facilitated Discussion**
- Critical factors in strengthening the role of community foundations in economic and community development
 - Biggest obstacles and challenges to community foundation development in Appalachia
 - Promising opportunities and strategies for fostering community philanthropy in Appalachia
- 3:30 p.m. **Summary and Wrap-up**
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**
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