



You are invited.....

Partner's Day at the

NACDEP Conference

April 14, 2010

Extension values its non-university partners in the community development field. We know that collaboration with government, community programs and foundations makes all of our work more effective so that sustainable communities are built. To further that partnership, we hope that you will join us on April 14th, 2010 for Partners Day at the annual conference of Extension professionals who develop research and programming for community development.

The annual conference of the National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP) is being held at the Holiday Inn & Suites Minneapolis Airport in Bloomington Minnesota on April 12-14, 2010. The theme is ***Building Bridges to Sustainable Communities***.

By attending the special Partners Day, you get to know Extension better AND take advantage of a professional development opportunity. The agenda for the day is on the following page.

- Meet 200 community development professionals working in Minnesota and the nation, including our neighboring states.
- Learn about new research and programs from community development professionals at land grant Universities.
- Attend educational workshops, seminars and presentations exploring the breadth of community development work. This day features in-depth workshops on collaboration, leadership, economic development, environment technology and workforce issues.
- Hear about present and future collaborations with USDA Rural Development Department from Deputy Undersecretary Victor Vasquez (invited).
- Spread the word about your own programs and initiatives

- 7:30 - 8:00 am Day Registration**
- 8:00 - 9:30 am Choice of 90 minute interactive workshops**
- Stirring the Pot: Working Together to Create Recipes for Change
 - Community Connections: Building a bridge between youth entrepreneurs and their communities
 - Use of the Community Issues Management Tool to identify a community's access to food deserts
 - Engaging in Renewable Energy as an Economic Development Strategy: A Simulation Exercise
 - Targeting Regional Economic Development: An Outline of a National Extension Educational Program or: TRED: A How-To Guide
 - What's between YES and NO? Public deliberation
- 9:30 - 10:00 am Coffee Break / Networking**
- 10:00 - 11:30 am Concurrent sessions including**
- Economic Development
- Web Presence Strategies for Small Communities and Local Government
 - The wonders of web evaluation and improvement
 - State Agencies Partner to Deliver E-Commerce Training in Rural Areas
 - Regional broadband in Rural Louisiana
 - The Capacity to Connect: Alternative Community Based Strategies for Broadband Development in Unserved and Underserved Communities
- Technology & Workforce Development
- Using social networking and Web 2.0 for small businesses
 - Promoting the adoption of E-commerce strategies
 - Local government profiling system - an interactive on-line tool
- Leadership & Civic Engagement
- Putting the Public in Public Participation
 - One Size Doesn't Fit All: Best Methods for Public Participation
 - Being Intentional about Inclusivity in public participation
 - The Ethics Training Program for local government officials, employees and board members: An assessment on design and implementation
 - Mind mapping your assets
 - Keeping local government running when the economy has stalled out
- Collaboration
- Crossing the Border in Reservation Communities
 - The Green Communities and Green Affordable Housing in Indian Country Partnership: A Transdisciplinary Action-Research Initiative
 - Ethnic Chambers of Commerce uses BR&E for Successful Collaboration
 - Addressing Community Issues with Successful Collaboration: A Results-Oriented Process for Building Community Relationships to Create Positive Change
- 11:30 - 1:30 pm Lunch with Keynote Speaker**
Victor Vasquez, Deputy Under Secretary of USDA Rural Development (*invited)

1:30 - 3:00 pm

Concurrent sessions including

Economic Development

- Sales impact of Wal-Mart on neighboring communities in Minnesota
- How can we measure child care's contribution to local economies?
- Special Improvement Districts: An Alternative Method for Funding CBD Revitalization Efforts
- Gogebic Range "Next Generation Initiative": Attracting and Retaining Young People
- Making an Impact through Community Investment Clubs

Collaboration

- An Innovation-Diffusion Model for Community Sustainability
- NNSLE - A Collaboration of Strangers and Virtual Friends
- Community Collaboration for Healthy Lifestyles
- Disaster Preparedness: Building Capacity in Disadvantaged Communities
- Collaboration Begins At Home: Minnesota Extension
- North Central Sustainable Communities Task Force

Environment & Workforce Development

- Workforce Prep for the Hospitality Industry - 24/7
- Disposal of Unused Medicines: Empirical Studies of Consumer Understanding and Behavior in Wisconsin

3:00 - 3:30 pm

Coffee Break / Networking

3:30 - 5:00 pm

Annual Awards & Closing session

Cost: \$ 125 per person

To Register Visit www.nacdep.net to download the Partner's Day registration, or use the attached registration form. Mail or FAX to: NACDEP, PO Box 4033, Bismarck, ND 58502-4033
FAX: 701-258-2296

You are an important partner in our work with communities. We have designed this day with your professional development in mind. We hope that you and your staff can join us!

Partner's Day registration is limited to non-university organizations and not available to NACDEP members.



Partner's Day Registration

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Organization _____

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State/Zip Code _____

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