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WELCOME TO THE 2019 COMMUNITY SERVICES INSTITUTE

Pennsylvania AFL-CIO President Rick Bloomingdale, Secretary-Treasurer Frank Snyder, Community Services Chairman and Executive Director of AFSCME Council 13 Dave Fillman, Philadelphia Central Labor Council President Pat Eiding are proud to welcome the delegates to the 2019 Community Services Institute in Philadelphia!



As union members, it is second nature for us to help our Sisters and Brothers in a time of need. In times of crisis our movement comes together to support our fellow workers. Just like earlier this year, when the Pennsylvania Labor Movement mobilized with our Community Services

Liaisons and our unions to support the working families affected by the

Government Shutdown, when hundreds of thousands of workers were left without paychecks or forced to go to work and not be paid. It was their union brothers and sisters who fought for them and supported them through the struggle.

Our solidarity with working men and women extends outside the workplace and reaches far into our communities.



At this year's CSI, we encourage all attendees to come together and work in solidarity to create change in our community. We encourage all of you to think about engaging more of our sisters and brothers in the work to aid our communities. Community Services is the most effective way to engage young and new workers in unionism and build our movement. Over the next few days, we

hope that we will all be inspired to create more dynamic and long-lasting change in our communities and our unions.



WHO'S ALICE?

Tomorrow's General Session will discuss the United Way of Pennsylvania's ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) Project, a statewide, comprehensive analysis of financial hardship across our state. The ALICE report tells the story of our community members who are going to work, but are still struggling to survive, through a standardized data analysis methodology that assesses the cost of living in every PA county. 24% of Pennsylvanians, our neighbors, friends and family, earn more than the official Federal Poverty Level, but still cannot afford the basic necessities for their family. ALICE lives in every county in Pennsylvania.



Today's General Session: The Impact of Young Activists in Our Communities

Today, Community Services Liaison Daniella De Leon will moderate a panel with young worker activists from the labor movement and the community. Youth engagement and collective action is exploding in the social and economic justice movement. We are so proud to be joined today by Zakia Elliott (Philly Climate Works), Jonathan Gary (Philadelphia Young Democrats), Jack O'Neill (Young Organized Philly), and Danielle Newsome (Philadelphia CLUW).

Today's Workshops:

Helping Formerly Incarcerated Men and Women Integrate

Location: Homer

Facilitators: Sharon Dietrich, Community Legal Services & Ron Oliver

Apprenticeships and Workforce Development Opportunities

Location: Hopper

Facilitators: Mary Bellman, Penn State Labor School; Stuart Bass, Keystone Development Partnership & James Blatnick

How To Attract Young People To Labor Unions

Location: O'Keefe

Facilitators: Tara C. Wilson, AFSCME Council 13; Valerie Braman, Penn State Labor School & Daniella De Leon