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**12th Annual
 Virginia Statewide
 Neighborhood Conference**
September 22-23, 2011

Williamsburg Hellenic Center
 4900 Moortown Road
 Williamsburg, Virginia 23188

Learn about best practices for neighborhood development from leaders across Virginia.

Featured speakers include:
Kelly Harris-Braxton
 Executive Director, Virginia First Cities

For more information or to register, please visit our website at www.vsn.org or call (540) 342-2763.

Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference, Inc.
 P. O. Box 6303
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**12th Annual
 VIRGINIA
 STATEWIDE
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 CONFERENCE**



Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference



“Building Great Neighborhoods Together”

SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2011

in Williamsburg, Virginia

Register online at www.vsn.org

or mail your registration today!

“While Each Neighborhood Is Unique, All Face Similar Issues and Challenges.”



From the basics of organizing to addressing the complicated issues of public safety, the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference provides a great opportunity to attend information-packed workshops, listen to thought-provoking speakers, view a host of exhibitions and take advantage of unparalleled networking opportunities with neighborhood advocates and professionals from across Virginia !



Attend **Educational Workshops** to learn best practices for addressing neighborhood issues of the times, network with one another, and share experiences and information toward building stronger communities.



At the **Youth Café**, young people will interact with their peers and learn about what civic, volunteer, and outreach efforts youth are undertaking across the state !



REGISTRATION FORM

Register online at www.vsn.org

or

mail your completed conference registration form with check payable to **VSNC** to:

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 P.O. Box 6303
 Roanoke, Virginia 24017

EARLY Registration - \$65 postmarked by Sept. 9

LATE Registration - \$80 postmarked by Sept. 16

Registration is non-refundable

Payment must accompany registration.

Name _____

Organization _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Special / Dietary Needs _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Youth Café (under 18 years old and chaperones only)

Workshop - Friday A.M. - Session I

9:45 a.m. -11:15 a.m.

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Workshop - Friday P.M. - Session II

11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Workshop - Friday P.M. - Session III

2:45 p.m. -4:15 p.m.

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

I will be attending the following:

ALL EVENTS

Dinner/Porch Talks. (Thu.). (\$25 for non-conference attendees)

Welcome Breakfast. (Fri.) . (\$20 for non-conference attendees)

Awards Lunch (Fri.) . (\$25 for non-conference attendees)

Closing Reception . . (Fri.) . (\$20 for non-conference attendees)



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Conference Schedule



★ Thursday, September 22

- 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Registration**
- 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Opening Plenary Session**
- 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Dinner and Porch Talks**
- 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Dessert with Jazz**
 - The Jason Jenkins Trio featuring Sharon North

★ Friday, September 23

- 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Registration**
- 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome Breakfast**
 - Jim Joseph, Neighborhood Council of Williamsburg Chairman
 - Kelly Harris-Braxton, Exec. Director of VA First Cities
- BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS**
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Workshop Session I & Youth Café**
- BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS**
- 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Workshop Session II & Youth Café**
- BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS**
- 1:05 p.m. – 2:35 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**
 - 2011 Neighborhood Project, Youth & Advocate Awards
- BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS**
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Workshop Session III & Youth Café**
- BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS**
- 4:20 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Closing Reception**
- 6:00 p.m. **Explore the Historic Triangle area**

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2011 Neighborhood Awards Program Friday, September 23, 2011

The Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference provides monetary awards to recognize the neighborhood organizations and individuals who volunteer their time and efforts to enhance the quality of life in their neighborhoods

- ★ Neighborhood Project of the Year
- ★ Neighborhood Advocate of the Year
- ★ Neighborhood Youth Individual or Group Effort of the Year

All award nominations must be postmarked by
August 31, 2011

Additional information including Award Nomination Forms are available online at www.vsn.org

Workshops - Friday, September 23 - Session I (9:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

- SI-1 Home Is Where the Heart Is: Services to Help You Live Well in Your Later Years:** Participants will gain an understanding of the steps to follow to ensure one's quality of life at various stages of aging-from programs for the energetic and independent to finding support when help is needed with daily living.
- SI-2 Addressing Neighborhood Challenges By Working with Local Government:** A panel comprised of City officials and a neighborhood leader will discuss their strategies and successes for improving the quality of life in one's neighborhood by partnering together to address community challenges.
- SI-3 Leading From Any Chair: The Dynamics of Decision Making:** Participants will receive the tools for generating ideas, facilitating discussions, asking the right questions and reaching decisions on community challenges with an understanding that every individual influences the decision-making process.
- SI-4 Intelligent Rewiring for Stress Reduction:** Intelligent Rewiring is the ability to rewire, re-pattern and/or remap the brain for the purpose of establishing new patterns of behavior to reduce mental and physical stress from day-to-day neighborhood challenges.
- SI-5 Basics of Bank Services:** Nearly 30% of the US population do not fully use the services of a bank with nearly 10% of those not using a checking or savings account. Participants will discover the benefits of using a financial institution, managing accounts, budgeting, and importance of one's credit score rating.

Workshops - Friday, September 23 - Session II (11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

- SII-1 "Hard Rock Synch":** This fun and insightful workshop is sure to improve the performance of any organization. Plan to join us as participants are provided with highly interactive experiential learning of the many phases and transitions used to enhance individual satisfaction and the need for comfort when working in groups.
- SII-2 Building and Increasing Future Leaders in the Community:** Participants will share examples and discuss the roles of young leaders as they pave the way to increasing leadership in YOUR community.
- SII-3 The Money Follows the Person Program (MFP):** This workshop will explore how the 'Money Follows the Person Program' helps to transition people from healthcare facilities back into their communities creating community development opportunities that provide transitional, financial and supportive services to develop accessible, affordable housing in neighborhoods.
- SII-4 Creating an Inclusive Meeting:** This workshop will explore the "3 basic group" which explores why there is a need for diversity in staff working styles. Surely a great way to learn about changing the way you experience group meetings!
- SII-5 Aging in Place in Virginia's Neighborhoods -The Village Model:** Workshop participants will learn about the Virginia Model, a grass-roots movement of neighbors helping their senior neighbors access the goods and services needed to help them continue living in their homes and neighborhoods.

Workshops - Friday, September 23 - Session III (2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

- SI-1 Renovation Financing: Saving and Putting Homes Back Into Service:** Participants will learn how citizens can utilize programs to improve and extend the longevity of their neighborhood's housing stock while improving homeowners' quality of life.
- SI-2 Building Inclusive Neighborhoods:** This workshop is targeted towards those working with nonprofits and local government who want to make their neighborhoods more inclusive, removing barriers for those with special needs including seniors and people with disabilities.
- SI-3 Credit Matters:** Whether if you are renting or purchasing a home, your credit record can be a determining factor as to where you will eventually live. During this workshop, information will be shared on the importance of credit and how to maintain a good credit rating.
- SI-4 Who Are the People in Your Neighborhood (and how they can help):** When was the last time your group had a great idea for a project but didn't believe you had the resources to make it happen? Learn how to use the unique mixture of resources and explore the power of using community networks to develop effective partnerships and turn a community's vision into reality.
- SI-5 Getting the Good News Out-Positive PR for Your Neighborhood:** A public relations plan can help neighborhoods and promote a positive relationship with the public. This hands-on workshop will involve brainstorming, role-playing and sharing of success stories as we build our own Public Relations Plan together from scratch. Each participant will leave the workshop with their own specifically tailored Public Relations Plan in hand.



All Conference Activities

Will Take Place at the

Williamsburg Hellenic Center

4900 Mooretown Road
Williamsburg, VA 23188

Hotel Accommodations & Reservations

Nearby hotels include:

- ★ **Embassy Suites Williamsburg (757-229-6800)**
\$109.00 plus tax
Request: VA Statewide Neighborhood
Reserve by: August 22, 2011
- ★ **Comfort Inn Historic (757-229-9230)**
\$65.00 plus tax
Request: State Conference on Neighborhoods
Reserve by: August 22, 2011
- ★ **Hampton Inn and Suites (757-229-7330)**
\$99.00 plus tax
Request: SWC – Group Code
Reserve by: August 22, 2011
- ★ **Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites Williamsburg (757-229-9990)**
Call for rates
- ★ **Hilton Garden Inn Williamsburg (757-253-9400)**
Call for rates

Make your hotel reservation TODAY to guarantee your room as other activities are taking place in the area on these dates!