

SAVE THE DATE

Westminster Presbyterian Church, FOCUS, and Others

Host

An "Ounce of Prevention:" A Dialogue with the Albany County Executive & Colleagues on Helping to Prevent Future Problems

Albany County provides a variety of prevention services for seniors, children, the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless. In this time of economic crisis, resources are scarce while the need for prevention services has escalated.

This forum will provide:

- ***An overview of prevention services provided by the County;***
- ***Identify where service needs are; and***
- ***Explore how public private partnerships and volunteerism can help meet our community's needs.***

Thursday, February 25, 2010, 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church, 85 Chestnut Street, Albany NY 12210

Attendees: please call 518 436-8544 or email Feb25forum@wpcalbany.org.....

Additional details to be posted on wpcalbany.org after February 5.

HOW TO JOIN PANEL AS AN INVITED COMMUNITY SPEAKER

Invited speakers will have an opportunity to speak for a maximum of three to five minutes after the initial County presentation. A time keeper will be appointed. Written comments welcome from all interested community members. Priority in selection of invited speakers will be given to persons asking to discuss use of public-private partnerships to meet needs of county residents, more creative and rewarding ways to employ volunteers, and working with the business community on prevention programs. Those interested in being a community speaker, please contact email Feb25forum@wpcalbany.org with one or two sentences to indicate the points you'd like to make or call the Westminster church secretary at 436-8544. Include your name, address and contact information. By February 19 you will receive a confirmation message from Lois Wilson, by email or a phone call.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM AGENDA –

Refreshments and Registration 1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Program 1:45 p.m. – 4 p.m.

- Welcome: Rev. James L. Reisner, Pastor, Westminster Presbyterian Church
- Introduction of Panel of Presenters and Invited Speakers (see above)
- Dialogue Between Panel and Audience and Discussion of the Way Forward

REGISTRATION / BAD WEATHER POLICY

To register to attend this free program, email Feb25forum@wpcalbany.org or call Westminster Presbyterian Church – 518 436-8544. Provide your name, organization and phone number.

If the Albany City Schools are closed for the afternoon of February 25, because of a storm or other weather-related reasons, this program will be postponed and re-scheduled.

DIRECTIONS AND PARKING

Directions: Westminster Presbyterian Church House Entrance: 85 Chestnut Street (about 1/3 of a block west of the New York State Legislative Office Building. Church is located in the Center Square section of Albany

From New York State Thruway Exit 24

1. Take Exit 24 of the **NYS Thruway**
2. Follow I-90 East to **I-787 South**
3. Take **I-787 South** to **Empire State Plaza Exit**
4. Follow road into tunnel under Empire State Plaza
5. Get into right lane
6. Just before road takes hairpin turn, turn right onto **Swan Street**
7. Continue North on Swan St four short blocks, passing the Legislative Office Building and State Capitol on your right
8. With Smith Staff Office Building on your right, turn left on **Washington Ave** and go West for 1 block
9. Turn left on **Dove St** and go South for 3 blocks
10. Turn left on **Chestnut St** and go East for 400 feet to **85 Chestnut St**

The parking lot and rear entrance is at 85 Chestnut St. Ring the door bell (on the right as you face the door) if the door is locked.

From Central Avenue/Washington Avenue

1. Follow **Central Ave East** as it joins **Washington Ave** at **Lark St.** Stay on Washington Ave.
2. Turn right on **Dove St.** and go South for 3 blocks
3. Turn left on Chestnut St and go east for 400 feet to **85 Chestnut St.**
4. Parking lot is on your left just before the church building

Parking: Use the Church Parking lot, street parking, or available garages (including the visitor's parking lot beneath the Empire State Plaza).