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ANNUAL MEETING



REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Monday - June 20, 2011

The <u>GATES ANNUAL</u> <u>MEETING will be held on</u> <u>Friday, June 24</u>

Our keynote speaker for the meeting is Labor Commissioner Mark Butler.

The morning program will begin with our annual GATES business meeting. This will be followed by a panel discussion focusing on the tax reform efforts being undertaken by Georgia policymakers. The panel will include three experts/advocates to discuss the details and potential impact on our non-profit community. We plan to leave plenty of time for your questions.

At lunch we will recognize our GATES leadership for their service to the organization and hear an update on VR activities from Annette McCauley, State VR Director. This will be followed by comments from Commissioner Butler.

We want to have a good attendance for this meeting. We encourage you to bring those on your staff that would like to hear and meet Labor Commissioner Butler and learn more about the tax reform discussions. All GATES member CRP's receive three complimentary registrations, additional staff/guests attending are \$25/person.

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Special Announcements

State Use Council Meeting Thursday, June 23 10:00 AM Location - Bobby Dodd Institute

GATES Annual

Meeting Friday, June 24 8:30 AM Location -2020 Convention Center Concourse Atlanta, GA We look forward to seeing you on the 24th. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Charles

For 2011 Annual Meeting Information including Agenda and Registration Form CLICK HERE

Friday, June 24, 2011 Atlanta Airport Marriott Gateway 2020 Convention Center Concourse Atlanta, GA 30337

Panel Discussion on Georgia Tax Reform Legislation and Impact on GATES Members

We will be hearing from three experts/advocates on the details and impact of the tax reform efforts being undertaken by Georgia policymakers. We will hear an overview of the proposals, details about the various changes during the legislature, and thoughts about the future of tax reform as well as the impact on social services and the non-profit sector in Georgia. We plan to leave plenty of time for your questions.

Alan Essig, Executive Director, Georgia Budget and Policy Institute

First we will hear from Alan Essig, Executive Director of the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute. As Georgia Budget and Policy Institute's first Executive Director, Alan brings a wealth of experience and understanding of state government to his role in carrying out GBPI's mission. In addition to leading a dedicated and talented staff and board, he analyzes overall state budget proposals and revenue policy issues. Alan's recent professional experience includes serving as a senior research associate with the Fiscal Research Center of the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University, as well as deputy policy director for the Georgia Governor's Office. Alan's experience also includes serving as a committee aide for the Georgia State Senate and Georgia House of Representatives Appropriations Committees, assistant commissioner for the Georgia Department of Human Resources, director of the Georgia State Senate Research Office, deputy director of the Budgetary Responsibility Oversight Committee, and as a legislative budget analyst for the New York State Senate Finance Committee. Alan has a BA in History from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a Master's in Public Administration from the State University of New York at Albany.

Karen Beavor, CEO & President, Georgia Center for Nonprofits

Next we will have Karen Beavor, CEO & President of the Georgia Center for Nonprofits. She is a graduate of Agnes Scott College and serves as a board member or advisory board member of a variety of civic and nonprofit organizations, including the National Nonprofit Risk Management Center, Family Connections Partnership, the Foundation Center-Atlanta, The Nonprofit Quarterly, American Humanics, The Center for Nonprofit and Government Leadership at Kennesaw State University, The State Bar of Georgia's ABC Committee, and the National Center for Charitable Statistics. Karen has received the Martin

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PORTAL, please send their email address to: Charles Hall, <u>chall@asginfo.net</u> Luther King Leadership award and the Harvard Business School Club of Atlanta's Community Leader Award. She is a graduate of the 2000 class of Leadership Atlanta and the 2003 Coca-Cola Diversity Leadership Academy.

2020 Georgia

The panel will be rounded out by a representative from 2020 Georgia. Confronted with a growing state revenue shortfall and the prospect of deeper spending cuts, on October 8, 2009, a group of nonprofit and community leaders held a State Funding Roundtable to determine how to work together to pursue a balanced approach to the state financial crisis. Out of that effort, a broad alliance of more than 70 community leaders and organizations, including GATES, created 2020 Georgia. The alliance's common goal is to promote a balanced approach to budget and revenue solutions that meet the short and longterm needs of Georgia and its people.

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