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5th Annual Budget Briefing for Grantmakers

Renaissance Hotel
Renaissance Ballroom East Salon
999 9th Street, NW, Washington, DC

Monday, March 3, 2008

AGENDA

- 9:15 – 9:30am** **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Michael Laracy**, Co-Chair, Grantmakers Income Security Taskforce
 - **Stephanie McGencey**, Executive Director, Grantmakers for Children, Youth & Families
- 9:30 – 10:30am** **Briefing on the Budget and Tax Outlook for 2009**
- This session will include a brief presentation on the key provisions in the President's budget proposal; provide an overview of the budget process, committee assignments, and key players; offer insights about the outlook for the budget debates in Congress; and review the likely schedule and key issues for the reauthorization of the State Child Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) and Food Stamp Program.
- **Michael Laracy**, Co-Chair, Grantmakers Income Security Taskforce (Moderator)
 - **Sharon Parrott**, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
- 10:30 – 10:45am** **Break**
- 10:45 – 12:30pm** **Discussion of Potential Implications of the 2009 Budget and Tax Outlook**
- A diverse panel of experts will examine the policy implications of the 2009 budget and tax outlook for key audiences and state and national policy agendas in light of the upcoming election.
- **Michael Laracy**, Co-Chair, Grantmakers Income Security Taskforce (Moderator)
 - **Ron Haskins**, Brookings Institution
 - **Eric Rodriguez**, National Council of La Raza

- **Algernon Austin**, Economic Policy Institute: [handout 1](#) [handout 2](#) [handout 3](#)
- **Maya MacGuineas**, New America Foundation
- **Jeff Blum**, USAction [video clip](#) and [handout](#)

12:30 – 2:00pm

Luncheon Presentation on Overhauling the U.S. Poverty Measure

A brief presentation will be given over lunch examining the criticisms of the current U.S. poverty measure; recent efforts to change it; and recommendations for an improved poverty measure based on a reasonable threshold and income definition that measures progress (or regression) over time and includes multiple measures of economic need. Most significantly, the discussion will focus on a political strategy to secure Congressional action mandating such action.

- **Rebecca Blank**, Brookings Institution [presentation](#) and [paper](#)

2:00 – 5:00pm

Forging New Partnerships for Advancing Anti-Poverty and Economic Opportunity Efforts: The Challenges & Opportunities Presented by Addressing Climate Change

This session will explore how current climate-change policy efforts offer a timely opportunity for partnership in advancing anti-poverty and economic opportunity agendas. A diverse panel of experts will brief grantmakers on how climate-change policies can be fiscally responsible, drive economic growth and treat poor families fairly and make the case for why grantmakers and advocates need to build partnerships with the environmental community to advance their anti-poverty and economic opportunity efforts.

- **Ami Nagle**, Consultant to the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation (Moderator)
- **Robert Greenstein**, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities [presentation](#) and [handout 1](#) [handout 2](#)
- **Martha Coven**, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
- **David Madland**, Center for American Progress [presentation](#) and [handout](#)

5:00pm

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