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Message from our Chair

by Vaughn Clark



WHAT'S IN YOUR SURVIVAL KIT?

We define survival as emerging from a natural or manmade disaster in a better position than the average person. In other words, you get to keep on keeping on, while others may not.

-- **Captain Dave's Survival Guide**
(www.captaindave.com)

The quickest, most effective way to boost a failing economy is to increase support and income for low-income people. As Community Services Block Grant and Weatherization Assistance Program stimulus funds are incorporated into our state budgets, we have an unprecedented opportunity to enact comprehensive and effective strategies for ending fuel and income poverty. But with the eyes of the nation, and even the world, on us, this is an awesome responsibility. We need to make sure we have a realistic strategy to use these resources effectively.

An initial review of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) by the Metropolitan Policy Program at the Brookings Institution found the results of the stimulus package thus far to be "fair to middling." The culprit? States. Citing the uneven record of states on income and energy policies, they also claim that the package complicates things by funding too

many players at too many different levels of government, making comprehensive, coordinated strategies unlikely. They also contend that ARRA doesn't do enough to encourage realistic and accurate outcome measurement.

Whether or not we think this assessment is true or fair, the fact is this type of scrutiny and pessimism about states' abilities is our biggest challenge. If we're going to succeed where many think we cannot, we need to plan strategically, build alliances, think creatively, share best practices and focus on high-impact strategies like training and employment. All of this needs to happen quickly.

So, what's in *your* survival kit? NASCSP is an excellent resource for all the latest policy developments, updates, and best practice strategies related to the stimulus package. I encourage you to include NASCSP among your top resources during this critical time. In order to help you along this extraordinary journey I've prepared The Ultimate Stimulus Survival Guide especially tailored to the unique needs of today's state CSBG and WAP Director:

I) PREPARE

By now your agencies should have had board/staff discussions in order to

establish good plans. If you haven't already, I suggest asking agencies to make use of the Community Action Plan process to help them decide on priorities. Then, of course, you want to ensure that agencies are focused on outcomes in regard to the stimulus funds and that they have the means to report them. Not only will this help you meet the reporting requirements, but when you're successful, the right people will know.

2) USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM

This amount of money is going to require resources beyond what state CSBG and WAP offices have at their disposal in-house. This means we're all going to have to find ways to be even more strategic and creative about partnerships and collaborations.

For example, in California, the state has rolled out some specific strategies for local agencies to follow in using the stimulus funds. Like many of you, they've been training agencies on how best to collaborate with other organizations to assist with outreach, support job training, provide mutual referrals between programs, and implement comprehensive case management services to promote self-sufficiency.

Now is the time to cozy up to state energy offices and utility companies. Don't forget about public benefit funds if your state has them. These are all sources of infrastructure and human capital that you can tap into to help you administer the ARRA funds; and they're essential to getting people working as quickly as possible.

The National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) is encouraging states to think about how they might explore new collaborative initiatives with other organizations, such as Energy Service Companies, utility companies, hospitals, universities, school districts, and even other government agencies at the state and local level. States should reach out to any non-profits, trade associations, or related organizations that may be able to provide assistance.

3) STRAY FROM THE TRAIL

Remember, ARRA funds can be used to start new programs, but they cannot replace existing funding. We'll only be successful if we can innovate. It's time to think BIG about high-impact strategies you've always wanted to employ but didn't have the resources to pull off.

As we look for creative strategies, NASCSP's website has a wealth of state tools and best practice strategies for planning and implementing effective use of CSBG and WAP stimulus funds. NASEO has also assembled a number of best practice program models at naseo.org.

4) FOLLOW A MAP

In light of the time crunch, our best approach is to do what we know works, but it doesn't have to be what we've always done. While traditional CSBG and WAP services like education, income management, housing, nutrition, emergency services, and energy efficiency all fall under allowable activities for the Recovery Act funds, we can also expand beyond our traditional services. Now's the time to borrow successful strategies from around the nation and maybe even the globe.

Seek out programs that are part of a broader, comprehensive energy and/or income strategy that emphasizes cost-effectiveness and economic growth. Make sure there is statistical documentation of a program's success and transferability to your state environment and demographics.

Keep in mind that any program you start with these new funds will need to be self-sustaining once the funding is gone. This shouldn't be daunting because successful programs will attract attention from the philanthropic community, which is eager to support the effort to bolster the economy. But demonstrating and publicizing results to garner private funding will take extra effort.

5) USE A LIFELINE

The best way to know how things are working at the ground level is to keep lines of communication open between your state office and local staff, statewide associations, and even recipients themselves. Find ways to overcome bureaucratic boundaries and agency turf issues. There's no time for bickering among state administrators. WAP and CSBG directors excel at bringing folks together – let's make sure we keep it up in the midst of all the hustle to get the money out.

6) PACK A SHOVEL

The Recovery Act requires recipients of funds for all infrastructure activities to give preference to quick start-up, or "shovel-ready," activities. This means you'll have to continually figure out how best to work within the

confines of your state procurement and budgetary processes so as to get the new funding out the door quickly.

7) LIGHT A FIRE

According to Robert P. Giloth, Director of the Family Economic Success Unit at the Annie E. Casey Foundation, states should expend the majority of their resources on what he calls family-supporting jobs. States should encourage their eligible entities to use ARRA funds to support employment-related services and activities that provide a livable wage and support economic growth. This can be achieved by simply giving preference to projects that allocate a portion of their funds to training and jobs for low-wage workers.

Giloth also says "states should strengthen outreach activities to ensure that all those qualified know about and receive the benefits for which they are eligible. In particular, states should increase outreach for new and expanded tax credits, as well as for programs providing supplemental food, health assistance, child care, and other assistance." State CSBG and WAP directors have emphasized living-wage jobs for years. Now, with the spotlight turned on, it's time to expand existing programs and replicate successful employment strategies.

8) PLAN TO SURVIVE

The key to survival in these difficult times is strong state leadership. State CSBG and WAP directors have a weighty responsibility to oversee the effort to quickly and effectively strengthen the economy. There are some serious obstacles in our way, not the least of which is the lack of funding for administration, which places a shadow over all of the grand ideas in this tool kit. However, even if there were no stimulus funds, this is our hour. This is what we've trained for. It's what we've worked for. We must seize this opportunity to lead the charge to move the nation toward a sustainable economy where work pays and everyone can participate in the economic benefits of this great nation.

Disclaimer

The author of this guide has no formal training in wilderness survival, emergency medical treatment, or mountaineering. NASCS and its members assume no liability for state administrators who fall victim to local wildlife, earthquakes, volcanoes, landslides, tsunamis, fires, wildfires, hazardous materials incidents or any other natural disasters which may occur due to a failure to submit IS data.

The NCAF-ExxonMobil Partnership

by David Bradley

On Wednesday, March 4th, at the National Community Action Foundation's annual legislative conference, representatives of ExxonMobil unveiled a new partnership between ExxonMobil and NCAF that will seek to enhance training for the tens of thousands of current and soon to be employed workers in the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP). ExxonMobil's \$5 million grant to NCAF will help speed the development of new and innovative approaches as well as partnerships in the training of weatherization workers. I believe that their \$5 million grant is the largest single private sector contribution to the weatherization program ever. I know for certain the ExxonMobil grant will make the federal government's \$5 billion weatherization funding contained in the recently enacted American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the so-called stimulus bill, that much more effective.

Obviously the grant and the resulting press coverage has

generated a lot of interest from around the country. I frequently get asked for details on how and when this grant will begin serving as the training catalyst for the weatherization program.

First, how it will work? ExxonMobil and NCAF have appointed a small five person management team that will oversee the goals, objectives and specifics of the project. The team is in place and meets frequently.

The project envisions two or three large demonstration grants that will experiment with linking non-traditional weatherization trainers with current weatherization providers, i.e., CAA's, in focusing on adding to workers' skills and career paths in the larger community.

In addition, the project may very well consider a number of smaller grants that will reinforce and enhance the

weatherization network’s skill development.

The management team will oversee a 12 member advisory council that will follow project development, assist in the development of materials and communications on the goals of the project, help in developing the Request for Proposals (RFP’s) for the project, review and critique the proposals and make the appropriate funding recommendations to the management team. NCAF is in the process of hiring a project manager. Advisory council membership invitations have recently gone out to potential participants.

Our goal is to have the advisory council in place somewhere around the end of May, with the RFP available to the network no later than mid-July. The first grants should be announced no later than mid-September.

The ExxonMobil-NCAF partnership has the potential to

transform not only the way we train weatherization workers but, more importantly, how policymakers in Washington view the community action agency network. With 80% of the current weatherization activities provided by CAA’s, there is a lot at stake in the outcome of the recent ramp-up of the program. Any additional skills, any innovative ideas on training to maximize those skills will only increase the weatherization network’s chances of meeting the Administration’s ambitious goals for the program.

The ExxonMobil grant will allow us to develop innovative training models for weatherizers, career paths into a green jobs economy as well as cleaner, healthier communities. Thank you, ExxonMobil.

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LEGISLATIVE CORNER

by Jovita A. Tolbert and Rebecca Stewart



FY 2010 BUDGET

On Monday, April 27th, House-Senate negotiators reached a final agreement on the fiscal 2010 budget resolution (S Con Res 13). The House passed the resolution the morning of April 29th with the Senate following suit that evening. Under the current agreement, fast-track procedures for health care overhaul as well as legislation to curtail the role of private lenders in the federal student loan program are included. Additionally, reconciliation protection was incorporated to prevent a filibuster for the aforementioned legislation. Notably, the budget agreement does not provide reconciliation protections for cap-and-trade climate change legislation.

The budget resolution is a nonbinding blueprint that provides a framework for tax and spending bills that can be moved later in the year. Most importantly, it sets spending levels for the appropriations committees. Adoption of a final budget will give the House and Senate Appropriations committees their 302(a) allocation for discretionary spending, which they will later distribute among the 12 spending bills and begin the fiscal 2010 appropriations process. **Appropriations**

markups may begin in late May.

FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

On April 20th President Obama announced that he asked his Cabinet to cut a total of \$100 million in spending in the next 90 days, and that he would be seeking to cut and eliminate more federal programs in the future. Then, on Wednesday, April 29th President Obama held a nationally televised press conference to mark his 100th day in office. As expected, during the press conference the President talked more about his budget and once again noted that some programs will be targeted for cuts. More specifically, the President stated, “We’ll continue scouring the federal budget for savings and target more programs for elimination.”

What’s more, following the lead of the administration, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) also directed House committees to identify possible savings from federal programs under their jurisdictions, with lists of recommended savings to be delivered to the Speaker by June 2nd. In fact, referring to an ongoing House-wide initiative for committees to hold oversight hearings on

agencies and programs under their jurisdictions, Speaker Pelosi stated, "We are dedicated to carefully scrutinizing programs and agencies to cut wasteful, obsolete and duplicative spending . . ."

SEBELIUS SWORN IN AS HHS SECRETARY

The Senate confirmed the nomination of Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius as secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) on Wednesday, April 29th. Due to Republican opposition to the nomination, 60 votes — instead of the usual majority — were needed for confirmation. Republicans who opposed the nomination have expressed concerns about Gov.

Seibelus' record supporting abortion rights and her ties to a controversial Kansas abortion provider.

President Obama nominated Gov. Sebelius on March 2nd and the Senate Finance Committee approved the nomination on April 21st. As the new DHHS secretary, Gov. Sebelius will lead an expansive department responsible for the government's largest health programs and is also expected to play a leading role in the President's effort to overhaul the health care system.

We will keep you informed as things progress.

Source: Congressional Quarterly

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CSBG Spotlight:

Partnering to Assist Refugees in Achieving Self-Sufficiency

edited by Jovita A. Tolbert

Even though ninety-six (96) percent of the state of New Hampshire's population is white, Manchester, its largest city, has become a culturally diverse community through its designation as a Refugee Resettlement Community in 1980. A total of 5,043 refugees have been resettled in Manchester since 1980, with 2,800 new arrivals since 1998. As a result of these demographic changes, Manchester is home to a significant number of young people whose families are struggling financially and who face cultural and language barriers.

Refugees usually come to the U.S. because of disruption or turmoil of some kind in their own country, frequently involving violence on a large scale. So it is not unusual for students from some African countries to be 12 or 15 years of age without ever having been in a formal school, perhaps spending years in a refugee camp or running from civil strife with their families. The Manchester School District reports that there are over 70 different languages spoken as first languages by students in city schools. Moreover, over 1,600 students participate in English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes.

The economic status of refugee children and their families limits their access to resources and opportunities which could assist them in achieving academically as well as socially and increase their chances of moving out of poverty. Thus, through a collaboration of the Manchester School District, Boys and Girls Clubs of Manchester, Southern New Hampshire Services CAA and the Seacoast United Soccer Club, the B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!! program was born. While this program's main goal is high school graduation, B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!! also aims to lessen discipline problems and help the immigrants and refugees in Manchester better adjust to their surroundings mentally, physically and emotionally. Additionally, it seeks to help in removing economic barriers to self-sufficiency and provides hope to participant families as they assimilate into American society.

To accomplish the above, B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!!, also known as Bringing Refugees, Immigrants and Neighbors Gently Into Tomorrow, teaches the importance of goal setting, persistence in striving to reach set goals, and the value of the individual's place within the broader community. Soccer, dance, and digital arts are the primary tools used to teach these lessons, with the rationale being that we can all connect through athletics and the arts. Notably, for adults, B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!! offers regular peer support groups and English classes.

Over one hundred and thirty (130) children in grades four through twelve, and thirty (30) adults take part in the B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!! program's activities and classes. As a result of the program, children have experienced improved classroom achievement and a greater sense of belonging in their community. Parents involved in the program have also experienced a greater sense of belonging in their community as well as improved English language skills.

As an active member of the B.R.I.N.G.I.T.!!! collaborative, Southern New Hampshire Services CAA serves as the fiscal agent for the program. Furthermore, it provides staff resources through administrative oversight and direct staff management of the program's daily operation. CSBG has also provided direct funding for the program. For additional information, visit:

<http://snhshome.homestead.com/MulticulturalServicesProgram.html>.

Sources: The 2007 NASCS CSBG IS Survey; Immigrants in USA Blog: Seacoast United Helps Immigrants & Refugees get Acclimated (<http://immigrantsinusa.blogspot.com/2008/03/seacoast-united-helps-immigrants.html>)

Middle Skill Jobs: Are They *Really* Disappearing?

by Jovita A. Tolbert

While recent research reports assert that jobs in the middle of the education and earnings spectrum are slowly vanishing, a new report from the Brookings Institution contends that despite the economic downturn, middle skill jobs are still being generated. In fact, in their report, *The Future of Middle Skills Jobs*, Brookings experts posit that the middle skill jobs market will remain robust and is in need of qualified workers.

According to Brookings experts, there are more middle skill job openings than low or high skill openings. Per Brookings, middle skill job openings average 45 percent of the unfilled labor market opportunities. This is in comparison to high skill job openings, which average 33 percent, and low skill job openings, which average 22%.

There are several key sectors in need of middle skill workers. These sectors include:

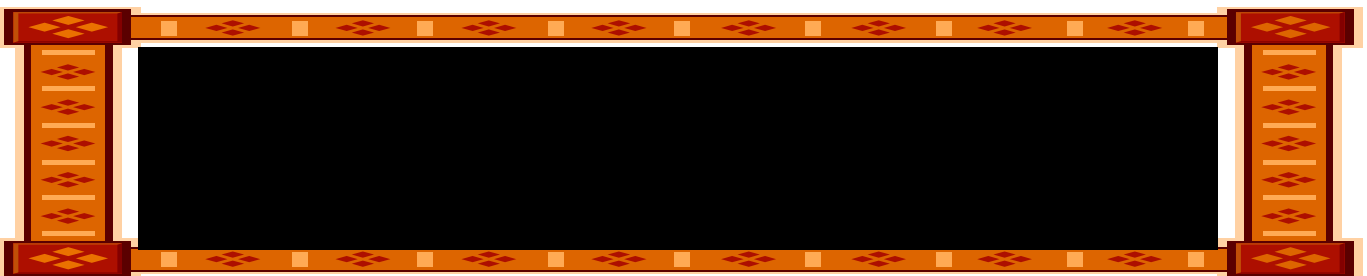


Given the above, why are middle skill jobs in such high demand? Well, as *The Future of Middle Skills Jobs* report explains, education and training lags behind the demand for these positions to be filled. And, the demand-supply imbalances will only grow larger over time as the baby boomer generation retires, outsourcing increases and immigrants replace workers at the highest and lowest levels of education attainment.

Therefore, with focused policy and local efforts that emphasize occupational training for middle skill jobs, many current and future low-income workers can take advantage of the middle skill jobs market and raise their earnings and their families' living standards.

So, what is your state or agency doing to create ladders to middle skill jobs?

For additional information and to view the report, *The Future of Middle Skills Jobs*, visit: <http://tiny.cc/MiddleSkillJobs>



WAP CORNER:

The Challenge of Multi-Family Weatherization Projects

by Rebecca Stewart

Incorporating multi-family housing into the Weatherization Assistance Program can be a challenge and an opportunity. Weatherization improvements in multi-family units have the potential to enhance the quality of life for a large and potentially underserved population in communities nationwide, but roadblocks such as cost, time, and commitment, can hamper projects before they start. With additional funds available to low-income weatherization programs through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, multi-family units can be an important source of clients. Below are two case studies of current programs that are tackling these challenges head-on with innovative solutions.

WISCONSIN

Carl Saueressig, Chief, T&TA Section, with the Division of Energy Services of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, is working with a project in Milwaukee that is designed to address the need to weatherize large (20+ units) multi-family homes in the area. Historically, the program has been hampered by average cost per unit restrictions, a lack of public awareness about the Program, and the time lag necessary for such a large project. In a special pilot, "Secretary's Initiative," there have been several adjustments to the standard program in order to make weatherization of multi-family buildings easier. These include:

- The issuance of a three year contract instead of a one year contract: this allows contractors and grantees to have ample time to complete the project.
- 50% eligibility: a building is considered eligible if 50% of the residents are eligible.
- Use of TREAT (Targeted Residential Energy Analysis Tools) as the auditing tool: to facilitate accurate assessment of the buildings in the pilot and also to evaluate the effectiveness of this modeling tool.
- An emphasis on using a General Contractor model, along with an energy auditing firm, so ramp-up occurs quickly and technical and marketing expertise are readily available.

To initiate the project, there was a formal solicitation to select a grantee. This was done to ascertain how existing grantees would compare with possible new grantees, and to solicit qualified proposals from which to make an award. In fact, the pilot project purposely tried to simplify the solicitation process to invite new grantees and several meetings were held with local non-profits in the area. However, bids were received only from existing grantees who are familiar with the system and with WAP. The project has been contracted to an existing grantee based on their proposal.

At this point, the project is in the stage of identifying buildings and has located 475 units in six buildings. The average cost per unit in the preliminary calculations was set at \$6,750, but this may be reconsidered due to the nationwide Ramp Up effort. This project may be compatible with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds. Base level funding is \$3 million over three years, which may lead to as many as 1,000 – 1,200 units being serviced. There is also a possible solar application to the project and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) may be involved in providing technical assistance.

ARIZONA

Charlie Gohman, Manager of Building Science at the Arizona Energy Office, has been very active in facilitating partnerships with different agencies throughout the region in order to bring more resources to bear in the weatherization of multi-family buildings. The addition of utility funds to the Weatherization Program initiated this program in 2000 and it has been expanded due to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds.

On April 7, 2009, the Arizona Department of Commerce, HUD-Phoenix, Arizona State University, Alliance for Innovation, and the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco co-sponsored an event entitled the "Arizona Green Energy Forum" in order to bring together as many potential partners as possible with the purpose of addressing the "opportunity to change the way energy efficiency is addressed and potentially 'to do things we could not do

before.” While this will include a multitude of “green” initiatives, the Weatherization Assistance Program is at the forefront, both due to the level of funding available and to the needs of the community.

The Forum and similar meetings help participants to understand how the funds are dispersed and where each set of funds can be used in the process. This includes using HUD funds for repairs and Weatherization money for energy efficiency, combined in a single project. Therefore, a building that would potentially not be served by Weatherization due to structural deficiencies could be helped. Also, experienced weatherization crews or contractors can take over the energy-related repairs and upgrades. Finally, by combining several smaller projects into a larger umbrella project with several different sources of funds, management of the entire pot

of funds can be done by experienced staff who can efficiently and effectively oversee all operations.

Currently 10-15 multi-family complexes, both privately and government owned, have been completed in this fashion. This proactive approach to soliciting partnerships among all different sources of funding has been a success thus far and should continue into the future.

As you can see, there are many different approaches to addressing the problems inherent in the weatherization of multi-family homes. While these challenges can seem intimidating, these populations could derive real benefit from the service since, as we know, ***Weatherization Works!***

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW YORK STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONFERENCE

May 6, 2009
 The Marriott Marquis Times Square
 New York City, New York
www.nysafah.org

LACAP ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

May 5-8, 2009
 Holiday Inn South
 Baton Rouge, Louisiana
www.lacapinc.org

FACA 29TH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

May 12-15, 2009
 PGA National Resort & Spa
 Palm Beach Gardens, Florida
info@faca.org

REVIEW OF OMB CIRCULARS PLUS HEAD START ISSUES

May 19-21, 2009
 Embassy Suites Alexandria-Old Towne
 Alexandria, Virginia
www.gfp.wipfli.com

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 Austin, Texas
www.tacaa.org

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May 27-29, 2009
 Holiday Inn City Center
 Fort Smith, Arkansas
www.aaaa.org

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June 3-5, 2009
 Cherokee Resort Conference Center
 Catoosa, Oklahoma
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2009 NATIONAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION MEETING

June 14-15
 DoubleTree Portland-Lloyd Center Hotel
 Portland, Oregon
www.neuac.org

NATIONAL ENERGY AND UTILITY AFFORDABILITY CONFERENCE

June 15-17, 2009
 DoubleTree Hotel-Portland Lloyd Center
 Portland, Oregon
www.neada.org

4TH ANNUAL CONNECTING MARRIAGE RESEARCH TO PRACTICE CONFERENCE: THE BLACK FAMILY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

June 16-18, 2009
 University of North Carolina - Friday Center
 Chapel Hill, North Carolina
www.aahmi.net

11TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FATHERHOOD CONFERENCE: MAXIMIZING FATHER ENGAGEMENT, CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF FATHER'S DAY IN AMERICA

Tremont Plaza Hotel
 Baltimore, Maryland
www.npclstrongfamilies.com

20TH ANNIVERSARY ENERGY FAIR

June 19-21, 2009
 Custer, Wisconsin
www.the-mrea.org

2009 CAPLAW NATIONAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

June 23-25, 2009
 Seattle Sheraton Hotel
 Seattle, Washington
www.capl原因.org

WIPFLI'S 10TH ANNUAL MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE FOR GRANT-FUNDED PROGRAMS

July 6 - 10, 2009
 Caesars Palace
 Las Vegas, Nevada
www.gfpinvegas.com

2009 NATIONAL WEATHERIZATION TRAINING CONFERENCE

July 20-23, 2009
 Indiana Convention Center
 Indianapolis, Indiana
www.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/conference

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES' LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT

July 20-24, 2009
 Pennsylvania Convention Center
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 303/364-7700

SOUTH-BY-SOUTHWEST 2009 HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START SUMMER CONFERENCE

July 21-23, 2009
 South Padre Island Convention Center
 South Padre Island, Texas
 956/399-9944

24TH ANNUAL TEXAS HEAD START ANNUAL CONFERENCE

July 26-29, 2009
 Sheraton Hotel
 Dallas, Texas
www.txhsa.org

2009 ACEEE SUMMER STUDY ON ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN INDUSTRY

July 28-31, 2009
 The Conference Center Niagara Falls
 Niagara Falls, New York
www.aceee.org/conf/09ss/09ssindex.htm

SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR HEAD START MANAGEMENT

July 29-31, 2009
 Holiday Inn Fisherman's Wharf
 San Francisco, California
www.cencomfut.com

GOVENERGY 2009

August 9-12, 2009
 Rhode Island Convention Center
 Providence, Rhode Island
www.govenergy.gov

2009 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM EVALUATION CONFERENCE

August 12-14, 2009
 The Hilton Portland & Executive Tower
 Portland, Oregon
www.iepec.org

OWHAC HOUSING AND ENERGY CONFERENCE

August 18-21, 2009
 Biltmore Hotel
 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
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September 2-5, 2009
 Philadelphia Downtown Marriott
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
www.communityactionpartnership.com

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September 16-18, 2009
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October 7-9, 2009
 Wyndham Hotel
 North Little Rock, Arkansas
www.caaregionvi.org

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November 4-6, 2009
 Albuquerque Hilton
 Albuquerque, New Mexico
www.nmhsa.net

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR ENHANCED BUILDING OPERATIONS

November 17-19, 2009
 Austin, Texas
www.esl.tamu.edu

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November 18-21, 2009
 DC Convention Center
 Washington, DC
www.naeyc.org

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 Hilton Southern Hills
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NATIONAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION ANNUAL POLICY FORUM AND TRAINING

January 25-27, 2010
 Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill
 Washington, DC
www.ncsea.org

2010 NASCSP MID-WINTER TRAINING CONFERENCE

February 22-26, 2010
 Hyatt Regency Bethesda
 Bethesda, Maryland
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