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CityLinks Conference

University of Dayton

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More than 200 Dayton neighborhood leaders are expected to attend the 31st annual CityLinks Neighborhood Leadership Conference at the University of Dayton.

The conference, set for 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 15, in the 1700 South Patterson Building on the University's River Campus, brings people together to find ways to create an environment and opportunities needed to attract and keep the next generation.

“The CityLinks Conference gives Dayton neighborhood leaders and residents a chance to share success stories as well as learn about new ways of approaching the issues that are facing their communities,” said co-chair Don Vermillion, Fitz Center director of public projects. “Participants leave the conference each year with renewed energy to tackle the challenges and seize the opportunities that will enhance their neighborhood and its quality of life.”

Workshops during the conference will focus on turning abandoned, tax-delinquent properties in Dayton into liveable homes, gardens and other productive uses; encouraging and supporting young people; developing future leaders; and getting the most out of a project budget.

Hunter Phillips Goodman, new executive director of the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community at the University of Dayton, will deliver the keynote address.

The Mattie Davis and Joe Kanak Community Builders Award will also be presented to a person in the Dayton community who exemplifies vision and compassion toward neighborhood or community.

Registration is open through Friday. Cost is $20 per person, or $10 for University of Dayton students.
More information about the conference and registration is available online.

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