

Corporate Leader Engagement Breakfast Workforce Reentry Forum Agenda

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 | 7:30am – 9:30am

The Commerce Club (55 Beattie Place, Greenville, SC 29601)

- 7:30am – 7:55am** **Registration & Breakfast Buffet**
- 7:55am – 8:05am** **Welcome**
- Ben Haskew, President and CEO, Greenville Chamber of Commerce
 - LaWanna Dendy, Work Readiness Director, Greenville Society for Human Resource Management
- 8:05am – 8:10am** **Purpose**
- Jerry Blassingame, Executive Director, Soteria Community Development Corporation and Chairman, Greenville Re-entry Task Force
- 8:10am – 8:15am** **Opening Remarks**
- Senator Karl Allen
- 8:15am – 8:25am** **What does the data say?**
- Stephanie Akhter, Policy Analyst, Council of State Governments Justice Center
 - Laura Bogardus, Chapter Operations Director, Greenville Society for Human Resource Management
- 8:25am – 8:55am** **Employer Panel Discussion**
- Moderator: Bruce Forbes, Special Projects Manager, Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources, Inc. (SHARE)
 - Robyn Knox, Strategic Planning Director, Southern Weaving Company
 - Tony Merritt, Welding Supervisor, Excel Machine Works
 - Ray McClain, Director of the Employment Discrimination Project, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law
- 8:55am – 9:20am** **Community Partner Panel Discussion**
- Moderator: Bruce Forbes, Special Projects Manager, Sunbelt Human Advancement Resources, Inc. (SHARE)
 - Jerry Blassingame, Executive Director, Soteria Community Development Corporation and Chairman, Greenville Re-entry Task Force
 - Steve Hand, Director of Quick Jobs with a Future, Greenville Technical College
 - Caroline Caldwell, New Mind Health Care
 - Thomas Scott, Reentry Director, South Carolina Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services
- 9:20am – 9:30am** **Closing Remarks**
- Caroline Caldwell, New Mind Health Care