

P.O.W.E.R. Collaborative Network (**PCN**)
Meeting Summary
June 11, 2007

The June 2007 meeting for the P.O.W.E.R. Collaborative Network (**PCN**) was a tremendous treat, highlighted by an informative overview on effective social and economic advancement. Congratulations to our host, the **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**. The **PCN** extends special appreciation to **DR. LULA BALLTON**, CEO for her community service for the West Angeles church to help improve the problems of poverty and livable wage issues.

The **PCN** is most appreciative to our long-time member **CLAUDIA JONES**, COO, **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**, for managing and hosting such a fine meeting. The information provided by her staff members gave the **PCN** members excellent essentials on community building activity. **MS. JONES** can be reached at (323) 751-3440, ext 13, or cjones@westangelescdc.org

- **YVONNE HAIRSTON** provided a complete overview of the Dispute Resolution Services offered by **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**. This includes a Conflict Management and Conflict Resolution Formal Training Program, which when completed students will receive a Mediation Certification on morals of conduct. **Ms. Hairston** can be reached at (323) 751-3440, ext 21, or yhairston@westangelescdc.org
- **JIMAR WILSON**, shared an inspiring review of the positive market and regional branding of South Los Angeles skillfully implemented by the **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**. This activity helps to expand, retain, and attract businesses in the region, while working to minimize the consumer spending trends associated with financial leakage out of the area. There are numerous housing projects underway by the organization, and for more details Mr. Wilson can be reached at (323) 751 -3440, ext 19, or jwilson@westangelescdc.org
- **PATRICIA HEBERT** revealed some very exciting first-time homebuyer programs offered by **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**. The Wealth In Real estate was particularly informative to help residents learn how to improve monitor and manage their FICO scores to a level of at least 620. **MS. HEBERT** also serves as a debt counselor and can be reached at (323) 751-3440, ext 9, or phebert@westangelescdc.org
- **FRANK SUTTON** gave the PCN members an alternative to job creation by creating a job through operating your own business. **Mr. Sutton** is the premier instructor on business entrepreneurial training through the **WEST ANGELES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**. An eight-week training program begins Jul 10, 2007, where students will find out the basic business needs, marketing strategies, acquiring capital, and business plan preparation. **Mr. Sutton** can be reached at (323) 751-3440, ext 10, or frank_sutton@msn.com

CRYSTAL STAIRS, Inc., 5110 W. Goldleaf Circle, Los Angeles, CA 90056, is hosting our next P.O.W.E.R. Collaborative Network meeting on **MONDAY, JULY 16, 2007**. **KISHEEN TULLOSS**, Program Specialist-CalWORKS, is our host coordinator for this meeting and can be reached at (323) 421-1418, or ktulloss@crystalstairs.org

PCN Meeting Attendees for JUNE 2007

Angel Graham, Los Angeles Community College District
Antoinette Anderson, Los Angeles Urban League
Lula Ballton, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Arelettia Jones, LAOIC
Blanche Octave, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department

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Bonnie Barraza, Mexican American Opportunity Foundation
Carolyn Christian Hines, Soledad Enrichment Action
Carolyn Richie-Jamison, ECC-Mid Wilshire Los Angeles Unified School District
Cecile Harris Walters, City of Long Beach - Workforce Development Bureau
Charles Jackson, Hub City News
Chris Strudwick-Turner, Los Angeles Urban League
Claudia Jones, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Damiana Parks, DPSS, West County GAIN Region I
David Broome, UCLA Government & Community Relations
Dean Jones, Southland Partnership Corporation
Gary Wright, Los Angeles Office of Education
Henry Levingston, LA Community Development Commission
Jackie Jones, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Jimar Wilson, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
John Adams, SFVCMHC/Valley EAP Services
Josie Starling, Wings of Refuge
Frank Sutton, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Joy Tsuhako, Social Security Administration
Kenneth Tyler, Department of Public Social Services – So. Central
Kisheen Tulloss, Crystal Stairs, Inc.
La Toya Layman, Covenant House California
Larry Denman, Weingart Center
LaVerne Daniels, State of CA Employment Development Department
LaVonté Jackson, Goodwill Serving the People of Southern L.A. County
Lena Cole Dennis, Jenesse Center, Inc.
Linda Tucker, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Lynette Johnson, LA County Housing
Marilyn Muse, State of CA Employment Development Department
Marretta Evans, Department of Public Social Services
MaryD Miller, LA City Youth Opportunity Movement
Melanie Franks, Los Angeles WAVE Publications
Norma Munoz, SEA Charter Schools
Olivia Rubio, Department of Public Social Services
Olivia Rubio, LA County Department of Public Social Services
Patricia Hebert, West Angeles Community Development Corporation
Phyllis Jasso, Veterans Affairs VA Industries/Supported Employment
Robert Hamm, Los Angeles Unified School District
Sharon Cruse, Purple Reign Life Skills Center
Stephen Clark, Housing Urban Department
Sylvia Rodriguez, Department of Public Social Services – Region VI GAIN
Trevor Ware, Los Angeles Urban League
Yvonne Hairston, West Angeles Community Development Corporation

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*PCN started in January 2001, focused on job coordination for community residents in order to assist in public & private sector work placement. The PCN members are community builders serving to identify, nurture, & mobilize local assets by enhanced networking to rejuvenate economies, strengthen business investments, & ultimately build up civil so ciety. The PCN meets monthly sharing job recruitment, funding, training, workforce projects, & other related topics at various member locations.*