

A Community Conversation: Youth Success

Saturday, June 18, 2016 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Takoma Park Community Center 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park MD

This Community Conversation is designed to provide participants with an opportunity to learn about current programs and service offerings geared toward youth in our area, engage in a discussion about needs and gaps in what is currently being offered, and consider how the City of Takoma Park can work toward addressing those needs and gaps.

During the event, please feel free to provide questions or comments via Twitter using #TkPkYTHsuccess. When possible, staff will respond to questions or address comments as they are posted. Otherwise, they will be included in the meeting record and considered along with other take-aways from the Conversation. You may also use the Google form located on the City's Community Conversations webpage to provide questions and comments: https://takomaparkmd.gov/initiatives/community-conversations/.

12:30 p.m. <u>Check in and Community Organization Booths</u>

12:45 p.m. Welcome and Introductions

Kate Stewart, City of Takoma Park Mayor Fatoumata Sy, Student, Montgomery Blair High School

Keynotes - Setting the Stage

12:55 p.m. Karen Pittman, Co-founder/President & CEO, Forum for Youth Investment

1:10 p.m. Laura Furr, Program Manager, Institute for Youth, Education, and Families, Justice Reform and Youth Engagement - National League of Cities

Panel Discussions - Insights and Offerings

1:25 p.m. Local Insights

Samir Paul, Teacher, Montgomery Blair High School Saron Alemseged, Student, Montgomery Blair HS Angel Ngatchou, Recent Graduate, Montgomery Blair HS

1:50 p.m. Existing Youth Programs and Services

Gregory Clark, Recreation Director, City of Takoma Park

Karen MacPherson, Children's and Young Adult Manager, City of Takoma

Park Library

Lynn Sobolov, Director of Education and Youth Development, Montgomery

County Collaboration Council for Children, Youth and Families, Inc.

2:15 p.m. <u>Community Organization Booths and Refreshments</u>

2:30 p.m. <u>Break Out Groups - The Future of Youth Success</u>

- What does youth success look like?
- What are the most pressing issues impacting youth in our area today?
- What gaps and needs exist in the services provided in the area?
- What can the City of Takoma Park do to facilitate youth success?
- 3:20 p.m. <u>Begin Transition Back to Auditorium</u>
- 3:30 p.m. Report Outs and Next Steps
- 3:55 p.m. Closing Remarks and Prize Drawing by Mayor Stewart
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

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