

# THE NEXT GENERATION OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

When we talk about **effective community engagement**, we're describing a process where we work in community. Together, we must find ways to bring together young people, educators, and community and business leaders to create an environment that attracts and retains the next generation. Be a part of the process to make changes for the next generation of community engagement.

Friday, April 15, 2016  
8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.  
1700 South Patterson Building  
University of Dayton

## SCHEDULE

8:30–9 a.m.	Registration in Meyer Room N1650
9–9:10 a.m.	Welcome
9:15–10:30 a.m.	Workshop Session A
10:30–10:40 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.–noon	Workshop Session B
Noon–12:10 p.m.	Break
12:15 p.m.	Lunch, Community Builders Award, keynote speaker

To register for the CityLinks Neighborhood Leadership Conference, return the enclosed form along with a check or money order to the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community.

The registration deadline is **April 5, 2016**. The cost of the conference is \$20 per person (\$10 for University of Dayton students).

*Preregistration is required.*

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## PARKING

CityLinks guests are permitted to park in the R3 Lot at the University of Dayton's River Campus, 1700 South Patterson Building, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, April 15. No parking permits are necessary, and you will not be cited. However, if you do not have a handicap permit, please be respectful and do not park in those designated spaces. Thank you.



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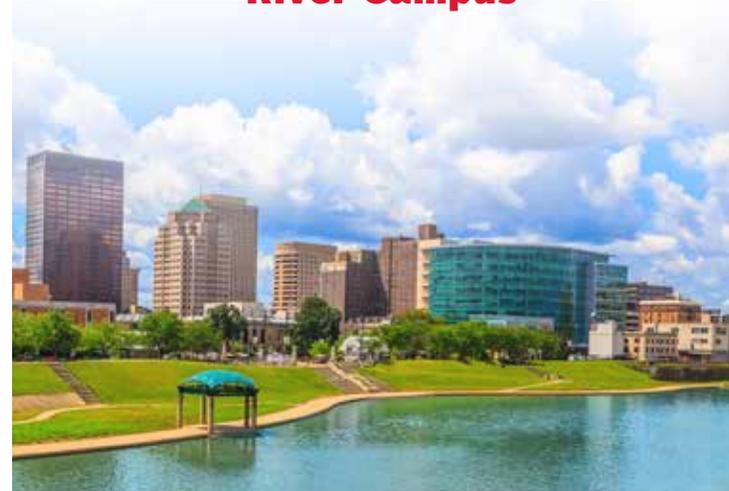


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## DR. HUNTER PHILLIPS GOODMAN

Dr. Hunter Phillips Goodman serves as the executive director of the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community at the University of Dayton.

Goodman believes strongly in the power of community and neighborhoods to make a positive difference in partnership with local universities. By focusing on storytelling for action at CityLinks 2016, she will discuss the critical leadership and partnership of neighborhood associations, leaders, nonprofits, schools and community-based organizations to create lasting change in Dayton.

As a nonprofit executive director, fundraiser, researcher, student advocate, teacher and higher education professional, Goodman has a passion for strong, vibrant leadership and community-based partnership.

Goodman received her doctoral degree from the University of Central Arkansas; Master of Education at the University of Southern Mississippi; and Bachelor of Arts from Rhodes College. Goodman and her husband Mark are proud to call Dayton and Ohio home.

## WORKSHOPS

**SESSION A: 9:15–10:30 a.m.**  
(Select one)

### Breaking the Code

If you ever wanted to buy an abandoned property in Dayton and return it to productive use, you may have found yourself caught in a maze of regulations, forms and tax issues. Thanks to Code for Dayton and Lotlinker.com, the process of obtaining an abandoned, tax-delinquent property is now more accessible and efficient. Representatives of the city of Dayton and their Code for Dayton partners will explain how the process has been streamlined to make it easier for individuals to obtain and convert abandoned properties into livable homes, gardens and other useful facilities.

### Youth in Action

Young people are full of potential — they are informed, talented and tech-savvy — but they may not be equipped to use their abilities to help other people. In this presentation, you will learn about tools and techniques that can enhance confidence in youths, as well as ways to help them cultivate skills for positive change. Come explore and learn the key principles of youth development.

### Stretching a Dollar to Maximize Your Budget

Making sure you are getting the most out of your money is more challenging than it sounds — but we're here to help. First learn how to track daily spending and get a clearer picture of the true nature of where your money is going. With that, we'll talk about different budgeting techniques and how to create the most bang for your buck. Understanding where your money is going will help to inform both short- and long-term financial goals, making the best out of any circumstance.

**SESSION B: 10:45 a.m.–noon**  
(Select one)

### Next Generation: Taking Leadership

Without a new generation of leaders, our neighborhoods cannot realize their full potential. At worst, controversy over growth will block the benefits that resurgence can bring. In either case, neighborhoods will miss the chance for true urban renaissance leadership. We must engage in learning and adapting from the past to the future. Perhaps most important is equipping a new generation to take the lead. In this session, you'll learn how to engage with the next generation of new leaders.

### Creating the Dayton We Want: Insights from Next Generation Leaders

For many Dayton neighborhoods and community organizations, the search for a new generation of leaders can quickly become a daunting challenge, but UpDayton wants to change that. UpDayton inspires and empowers young Daytonians to create the community in which they and their peers want to live. Since 2008, the organization has connected hundreds of young people to community projects and organizations and helped them evolve from volunteers into leaders and champions. In this session, UpDayton's leaders will share UpDayton's story and mission as well as insights and strategies for engaging young professionals in community building.

### The Education Story: Next Generation of Learners

Hear about the challenges and latest accomplishments in preparing children for a successful educational journey. The presenters are part of a local effort to ensure that all children in Montgomery County are ready to be successful students.

## MATTIE DAVIS AND JOE KANAK COMMUNITY BUILDERS AWARD



Building community is easier said than done. Dayton has been very fortunate to have a wealth of neighborhood leaders who have spent their lives organizing and advocating for their communities. Mattie Davis and Joe Kanak were two leaders who made Dayton a better place to work and raise children.



**Mattie Davis** had a major role in the organization of the Edgemont Neighborhood Coalition. In 1978, she invited the University of Dayton to join in an effort that began the award-winning Edgemont Solar Garden. Her example of hard work and dedication continues to inspire volunteers throughout the community.

**Joe Kanak** was an inspiration to his community of Old North Dayton, where he was born and raised. For more than 20 years, Kanak was involved in virtually every initiative sponsored by the Northeast Priority Board and the Old North Dayton Development Corporation.



Each year, the University of Dayton presents the Mattie Davis and Joe Kanak Community Builders Award. It honors a person in the Dayton community who exemplifies vision and compassion toward neighborhood or community. The 18th annual award will be presented at the CityLinks Neighborhood Leadership Conference Friday, April 15, 2016.