



Monday, November 16: Our Economy

Morning Session:

9 a.m. Opening Session

- **Sara Payne Scarbro**, Operations Council Chair, Alliance for the Economic Development of Southern WV
- **Brandon Dennison**, Founder & CEO, Coalfield Development
- **Stephanie Tyree**, Executive Director, West Virginia Community Development Hub

9:15 a.m. Congressional Update U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito U.S. Senator Joe Manchin

10:05 a.m. State Update

- WV Development Office Executive Director **Mike Graney**
- WV Department of Commerce **Secretary Ed Gauch**

10:30 a.m. Small Business Update Kim Donahue, Charleston Branch Office Branch Manager, U.S. Small Business Administration

Afternoon Sessions:

11:30 a.m. Ten Points to Ponder ... “Is Rural America Ready for the Recovery Phase” Lorie Vincent, Founder and President, ACCELERATION by design

1 p.m. Workforce Development Solutions

*Moderator: **Brandon Dennison**, Founder and CEO, Coalfield Development*

- **Scott Adkins**, Acting Commissioner, WorkForce WV
- **Charlotte Weber**, CEO, RCBI and VP for Federal Programs, Marshall University
- **Rev. Matthew Watts**, Executive Director, HOPE CDC
- **Dave Lavender**, Apprenticeship Program Coordinator, West Virginia Development Office

2:30 p.m. Social Enterprise in West Virginia

*Moderator: **Dr. Kelli Johnson**, Associate University Librarian and Head of Access Services and Outreach, Marshall University Libraries and Online Learning & **Chris Yura**, Manager Strategic Partnerships, Coalfield Development*

- **Ursulette Huntley**, Executive Director, Unlimited Future
- **Chris Yeager**, Owner, Appalachian Cannabis
- **Dr. Crystal Cook Marshall**, Co-founder, EDGE



Tuesday, November 17: Our Health

Morning Session:

- 9 a.m. Opening Session**
Dr. James W. Nemitz, President, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine
- 9:15 a.m. COVID-19 Update**
Dr. Clay Marsh, West Virginia's Coronavirus Czar and Vice President & Executive Dean for Health Sciences, WVU (invited)
- 10 a.m. Health Policy for 50+**
Susan Reinhard, Senior Vice President, Public Policy Institute (PPI), AARP
Elaine Ryan, Vice President, State Advocacy & Strategy Integration (SASI), AARP
- 10:30 a.m. Stigma and Social Determinants of Health**
Dr. John F. Kelly, ABPP, Elizabeth R. Spallin Professor of Psychiatry in Addiction Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Afternoon Sessions:

- 11:30 a.m. Dimensions of Recovery: Keys for Creating Recovery Friendly Communities**
*Moderator: **Terri Baker**, Grants Project Manager, Center for Rural and Community Health, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine*
- **Ashley Shaw**, Director of CORE, Marshall Health
 - **Debra Davis**, Executive Director, One Voice
 - **Emily Birckhead**, Executive Director, WV Alliance of Recovery Residences
 - **Dr. Jeremy Husted**, Assistant Professor and Medical Director, Inpatient Dual Diagnosis Unit, WVU Medicine's Department of Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry
- 1 p.m. Prevention, Addiction, Recovery and Reentry Expert Panel**
*Moderator: **Susie Mullens**, Coordinator, West Virginia Collegiate Recovery Network*
- **Lata Menon**, CEO, First Choice Services, Inc.
 - **William Thompson**, Judge, Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit
 - **Beverly Sharp**, Director of Reentry Initiatives, West Virginia Council of Churches
 - **Gregory A. Puckett**, Executive Director, Community Connections, Inc.
- 2:30 p.m. Strengthening West Virginia's Behavioral Health Workforce for the Future**
*Moderator: **Terri Baker**, Grants Project Manager, Center for Rural and Community Health, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine*
- **Carolyn Canini**, Director of Behavioral Health Programs, West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission
 - **Rebecca Roth**, Director, Office of Policy, Planning, & Research, West Virginia Bureau for Behavioral Health



Wednesday, November 18: Our Education

Morning Session:

- 9 a.m. Opening Session**
Dr. Jerry Gilbert, President, Marshall University and Chair, the Alliance for the Economic Development of Southern WV
- 9:15 a.m. Higher Education Presidents**
Moderator: **Bill Bissett**, President & CEO, Huntington Regional Chamber of Commerce
- **Dr. Jerry Gilbert**, President, Marshall University
 - **Dr. Bonny Copenhaver**, President, New River Community and Technical College
 - **Dr. Kendra Boggess**, President, Concord University
 - **Dr. James W. Nemitz**, President, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine
 - **Carolyn Long**, President of the West Virginia University Institute of Technology
 - **Dr. Nicole Pride**, President, West Virginia State University
 - **Dr. Pamela Alderman**, President, Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College
- 10:20 a.m. Power of Leadership**
Chris Fussell, Managing Partner, McChrystal Group and a New York Times bestselling author

Afternoon Sessions:

- 11:30 a.m. Building Broadband**
Moderator: **Charlie Dennie**, Director, Office of Broadband, West Virginia Department of Commerce
- **Natalie Roper**, Executive Director, Generation West Virginia
 - **Brad Hall**, Vice President External Affairs, Appalachian Power Company
 - **Rob Hinton**, Former Chairman, West Virginia Broadband Enhancement Council
 - **Kris Warner**, State Director, USDA Rural Development in West Virginia
- 1 p.m. Diversity & Inclusion**
Moderator: **Dr. Michelle Taylor**, Associate Professor, Bluefield State College
- **Dr. Kelli Johnson**, Associate University Librarian and Head of Access Services and Outreach, Marshall University Libraries and Online Learning
 - **Scott Pitt**, Director of Safe Zone, Bluefield State College
 - **Jamecia James**, Director, Black Lives Matter Huntington
 - **Aaron Preece**, AccessWorld Technology and Information Specialist, American Foundation for the Blind
 - **Dennis Davis**, Cabinet Secretary, West Virginia Department of Veterans Assistance
- 2:30 p.m. How Public Education and Higher Education are working together**
Moderator: **Donna Peduto**, Executive Director, WV Public Education Collaborative
- Dr. Sarah Armstrong Tucker, Chancellor, WV HEPC and CTCS
 - Clayton Burch, State Superintendent, WV Department of Education



Thursday, November 19: Our Communities

Morning Session:

- 9 a.m. Opening Session**
Kendra Bogges, President, Concord University
- 9:10 a.m. Update from Tourism**
Chelsea Ruby, Commissioner, WV Office of Tourism
- 9:30 a.m. Update from the USDA**
Kris Warner, State Director, USDA Rural Development in West Virginia
- 9:50 a.m. Quality Water for all West Virginians**
Brooks Crislip, Director of Business Development, West Virginia American Water
- 10:10 a.m. In the Spirit of Community, In the Spirit of West Virginia**
Andrew Dawson, Market President, United Bank
- 10:30 a.m. POWER of Performance Awards Ceremony**
*Presented by: **Kathy Cosco**, Communications Specialist, RCBI and **Brittany Bruce**, Logistics Coordinator, Alliance for the Economic Development of Southern WV*
Award Categories
- Putting People to Work
 - Revitalizing Communities
 - Changing Lives

Afternoon Sessions:

- 11:30 a.m. Natural Elements Enhancing Outdoor Recreation and Business Opportunity**
*Moderator: **Carol Howerton**, Senior Strategic Advisor for Workforce Development, RCBI*
- **Jeff Lusk**, Executive Director, Hatfield-McCoy Trails
 - **Amanda Ramey**, Assistant Manager, City of Hurricane
 - **Diane Barnette**, Business Leader, Appalachian Outpost, Fountain Place Cinema 8, Gatti's Pizza of Logan
 - **Lisa Strader**, Executive Director, Visit Southern WV
- 1 p.m. The Impact of COVID-19 on the Local Level**
*Moderator: **Paul Daugherty**, President & CEO, Philanthropy West Virginia*
- **Mayor Amy Shuler Goodwin**, City of Charleston
 - **Anne Bowling Tuckwiller**, Executive Director, Greenbrier Valley Community Foundation
 - **Mayor Robert Rappold**, City of Beckley
 - **Mayor Beverly White**, City of Lewisburg
 - **Janell Ray**, CEO, Pallottine Foundation of Huntington and Executive Director, Pallottine Foundation of Buckhannon
- 2:30 p.m. WV Women Moving Forward**
- **Rocky Goodwin**, Senior Associate Vice President for Academic and Public Strategy, City of Beckley
 - **Mac Warner**, West Virginia Secretary of State
 - **Priscila Santos**, Research Scholar, WV Forward
 - **Dr. Kari Law**, Assistant Professor/Psychiatry Section Chief, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist and Director Telepsychiatry and Forensic Psychiatrist, West Virginia University
 - **Sammi Brown**, Member, WV House of Delegates



Friday, November 20: #WVSolutions Seekers Student Leadership Conference

Morning Session:

- 9 a.m. Opening Remarks**
- **Joey Wiseman**, Director, Office of Middle and Secondary Learning, Division of Teaching and Learning, West Virginia Department of Education
 - **Elizabeth Manuel**, Senior Director, The Division of Student Affairs, West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission
- 9:10 a.m. Ice Breaker Exercise**
Dr. Michelle Taylor, Associate Professor, Bluefield State College
- 9:40 a.m. The Importance of Service and Giving Back to our Communities & Student Awards**
Allison McGee, Corporate Affairs Manager, Kroger Co.
- 10 a.m. Introduction of Keynote Speaker**
Dr. Jerry Gilbert, President, Marshall University
- 10:05 a.m. Keynote Address**
Brad D. Smith, Executive Chairman & former President and CEO, Intuit

Afternoon Sessions:

- 11:30 a.m. Design for Delight: An innovation and problem-solving workshop**
- **Nico Valencia**, Career Readiness Leader, Intuit
 - **Karla Readshaw**, Education Partner Manager, Intuit
 - **Tricia Ball**, Associate Director, iCenter and Interim Associate Director, Brad D. Smith Business Incubator
 - **Ben Eng**, Assistant Professor of Marketing and Entrepreneurship, Marshall University, Lewis College of Business
- 1 p.m. The Place Where We Belong: A student leaders & WV professionals panel**
*Moderator: **Tiffany Ellis-Williams**, Director, WVSU Economic Development Center*
- **Kayonjra Guerrant**, Student, West Virginia State University
 - **Lynne Fruth**, President and Chairman, Fruth Pharmacy
 - **Karen Williams**, Retired, Educator/Activist
 - **Nicole Coburn**, Owner, Blue Spoon Café
 - **Jeremy Turner**, Founder and Managing Director, EPIC Mission
- 2:30 p.m. Juggling it All: Caring for yourself and your community**
*Moderator: **Terri Baker**, Grants Project Manager, Center for Rural and Community Health, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine*
- **Annette Johnson**, Peer Recovery Support Specialist, BridgeValley Community and Technical College, Southern West Virginia Collegiate Recovery Network
 - **Kelli Crabtree**, Director of Personal and Academic Development, Coalfield Development
- 3:30 p.m. Closing Remarks & Giveaways**
Sara Payne Scarbro, Operations Council Chair, Alliance for the Economic Development of Southern WV
Brittany Bruce, Logistics Coordinator, Alliance for the Economic Development of Southern WV