

13th Annual
**Virginia Statewide
Neighborhood Conference**
September 20-21, 2012
Holiday Inn University & Conference Center
1901 Emmet Street
Charlottesville, Virginia 22901
Learn about best practices for neighborhood
development from leaders across Virginia.
Featured speaker includes:
Coy Barefoot
Award-winning and best-selling author, radio
personality, historian, television host and producer,
teacher and triathlete.
For more information or to register, please visit our
website at www.vsn.org or call (540) 342-2763.



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Neighborhoods
The Face of Virginia - Past, Present & Future

SEPTEMBER 20-21, 2012
in Charlottesville, Virginia
Register online at www.vsn.org
or mail your registration today!

“While Each Neighborhood Is Unique, All Face Similar Issues and Challenges.”



From the basics of organizing to addressing the complicated issues of public safety, the Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference provides a great opportunity to attend information-packed workshops, listen to thought-provoking speakers, view a host of exhibitions and take advantage of unparalleled networking opportunities with neighborhood advocates and professionals from across Virginia !



Attend **Educational Workshops** to learn best practices for addressing neighborhood issues of the times, network with one another, and share experiences and information toward building stronger communities.



At the **Youth Café**, young people will interact with their peers and learn about what civic, volunteer, and outreach efforts youth are undertaking across the state !



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REGISTRATION FORM

• **Register online at www.vsn.org**

• or

• mail your completed conference registration form

• with check payable to **VSNC** to:

• Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference, Inc.

• P.O. Box 6303

• Roanoke, Virginia 24017

• **EARLY Registration - \$70 postmarked by Sept. 7**

• **LATE Registration - \$85 postmarked by Sept. 14**

• Registration is non-refundable

• Payment must accompany registration.

• Name _____

• Organization _____

• Address _____

• Phone _____

• E-Mail _____

• Special / Dietary Needs _____

• Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

☐ **Youth Café** (under 18 years old and chaperones only)

☆ NOTE: Youth Café activities run parallel to workshop sessions ☆

Workshop Session I - Thursday PM - (4:00 pm -5:30 pm)

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Workshop Session II - Friday AM - (9:45 am -12:00 pm)

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Workshop Session III - Friday PM - (2:20 pm -3:45 pm)

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

Workshop Session IV - Friday PM - (3:55 pm -5:15 pm)

1st Choice _____

2nd Choice _____

I will be attending the following:

☐ **Dinner**(Thu.) . . .(\$25 for non-conference attendees)

☐ **Welcome Breakfast.** .(Fri.) . . .(\$25 for non-conference attendees)

☐ **Awards Lunch**(Fri.) . . .(\$25 for non-conference attendees)



NEIGHBORHOODS: The Face of Virginia - Past, Present & Future



Conference Schedule



★ Thursday, September 20, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Registration**

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Workshop Session I & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Dinner & Entertainment**

★ Friday, September 21, 2012

7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Registration**

7:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome Breakfast**

- Keynote Speaker Coy Barefoot

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Workshop Session II & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**

- 2012 Neighborhood Project, Youth & Advocate Awards

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

2:20 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Workshop Session III & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

3:55 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Workshop Session IV & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

5:25 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Closing Ceremony**

6:30 p.m. **Explore the Charlottesville area**

Youth Café Schedule



★ Thursday, September 20, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Registration

Session Ia - My Defining Moment

Session Ib - Your Credit Really Matters

★ Friday, September 21, 2012

7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

7:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration

Welcome Breakfast

Session II (Mobile) - Building Youth Character Through Gardens & Centers

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

2:20 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

3:55 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

5:25 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Awards Luncheon

Session III - Improving Quality of Life

Session IV - Success in Sports

Closing Ceremony

Explore the Charlottesville area



Keynote Speaker Coy Barefoot, award-winning author, historian, teacher, triathlete and Founding Partner and Creative Director of earless rabbit, Charlottesville's innovative online television network.



All Conference Activities

will take place at the

Holiday Inn University & Conference Center

1901 Emmet Street

Charlottesville, VA 22901

Per Night Total \$109.00

(Not Including taxes and fees)

Make your hotel reservation by calling

800-242-5973 or 434-977-7700

and reference “VA Statewide Neighborhood Conference” to receive this low conference rate.

Conference rate available until Aug. 30, 2012 !

Make your hotel reservation TODAY to guarantee your room !

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Workshops - Thursday, September 20 - Session I (4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.)

SI-1 The Neighbors Building Neighborhood Approach to Community Development: Participants will learn how putting the Neighbors Building Neighborhoods philosophy into action with residents and civic leagues through real examples of successes and challenges.

SI-2 Meetings That Work-Effective Practices: Participants will explore the best practices for managing neighborhood group meetings. Whether you are a member or an elected leader, each has an active role in creating the right environment for productive meetings.

SI-3 Understanding Home Preservation Options: Wells Fargo will provide participants with information on the most effective ways to work with mortgage companies that will allow them to remain in their homes through mortgage modification programs.

SI-4 Strengthening Neighborhoods with Community Gardens: Participants will learn how community gardens are feeding, connecting and shaping neighborhoods and communities.

Workshops - Friday, September 21 - Session II (9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

SII-1 (Mobile) Redeveloping Successful Public Housing - Sunrise-Timberlake-Paton: This workshop will visit a mixed income community that was once a trailer park but where no residents were displaced and another under construction being developed for the aging which is also the first mixed income development in the city.

SII-2 (Mobile) A Model for County Development: This workshop will include a tour of sites being developed under the Albemarle County neighborhood model planning concept include a visit to Crozet and the new development of Old Trail.

SII-3 (Mobile) Enhancing Neighborhoods Through Historic/Conservation Districts: This workshop will examine a new concept that has reduced the burden for those living in Charlottesville's Conservation and Historic Districts as the city developed a new concept of conservation districts, aka Historic Districts Light. This workshop will examine that concept tour both types of neighborhoods.

SII-4 (Mobile) Building Youth Character Through Youth Centers & Community Gardens: Community gardens are being used to teach young people the values of gardening and self-sufficiency. Designed especially for youth, this workshop will also visit several fun sites devoted to young people including the Computer4Kids program, the Music Resource Center, and the brand new Boys and Girls club.

SII-5 (On-Site) “Intelligent Rewiring”: **Enhancing One's Quality of Life by Reducing Depression and Stress:** Intelligent Rewiring is the ability to rewire, re-pattern and/or remap the brain for the purpose of establishing new patterns of behavior to reduce mental and physical stress from day-to-day neighborhood challenges. During this onsite workshop, participants will learn the early signs of depression and the alternative to prescription drugs for combating depression's negative effects as well as solutions to reducing mental and physical stress from day-to-day neighborhood challenges.

Workshops - Friday, September 21 - Session III (2:20 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.)

SIII-1 Creating an Inclusive Meeting: Participants attending this workshop will gain practical skills to help them better facilitate group meetings by encouraging an open and inclusive environment!

SIII-2 True Colors: This workshop will provide participants with the opportunity to learn their about their inner strengths, talents and values which in turn will provide a greater understanding of others.

SIII-3 The Aging Population: Who, What, Why, Now What?: Participants will learn the emerging issues facing Virginia with the expanding aging population in our neighborhoods. Participants will discuss the potential impact on individuals, families, policy and politics of the need to maintain a dialogue on the resultant challenges and opportunities.

SIII-4 Find Out: Participants will learn each stage of survey development and the how to properly use the data collected.

Workshops - Friday, September 21 - Session IV (3:55 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.)

SIV-1 Partnering with Habitat for Humanity to Help Revitalize Your Neighborhood: The Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) will provide information on several collaborative approaches and unique programs that will help participants gain insight on how to partner with Habitat for Humanity-Virginia to help revitalize your neighborhood. Habitat for Humanity-Virginia will provide examples of neighborhood transformations.

SIV-2 “Growing Green” - A Look at Grassroots Community Projects: How do you start something from nothing? Participants will learn ways to encourage and inspire communities to help make needed changes in their neighborhoods.

SIV-3 Identifying and Addressing Gang-Influenced Behaviors: Participants will be able to identify behavior of gang-influenced youth, learn how and why a gang develops, how gangs affect a community and how the community can respond to gang activities with solutions.

SIV-4 Do-It-Yourself Home Repair Blitz- The Power of Public-Private Partnerships: Participants will learn how the City of Hampton was able to develop a partnership with habitat for Humanity and the Housing Authority to get volunteers into a neighborhood community to perform great accomplishments for those in need.

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2012 Neighborhood Awards Program

Friday, September 21, 2012

The Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference provides monetary awards to recognize the neighborhood organizations and individuals who volunteer their time and efforts to enhance the quality of life in their neighborhoods

★ **Neighborhood Project of the Year**

★ **Neighborhood Advocate of the Year**

★ **Neighborhood Youth Individual or Group Effort of the Year**

All award nominations must be postmarked by
August 27, 2012

Additional information including Award Nomination Forms are available online at www.vsnc.org