

NEW AMERICANS

a Forum for Regional Leaders

TOMORROW'S WORKFORCE

Join Leaders in Active Planning for the Region's Workforce

What will tomorrow's workforce look like? This forum will bring together regional leaders to address workforce and immigration issues and opportunities. Featured speakers will offer expertise in critical areas of interest and concern. Topics include immigration policy and law, economic trends, education, and economics. Participants will engage in an active planning process to identify creative solutions, discover opportunities for building a regional skilled workforce, and identify specific action steps that will successfully incorporate this new talent pool into the workplace.

Be part of the action plan for the future.

Join top leaders from business, community, education and government leaders to explore ideas and strategize effective tactics.

- ◆ Explore the role of immigrants in the region's economy.
- ◆ Cultivate a dynamic and diverse labor force.
- ◆ Get clear, objective information on immigration policy and legislation.
- ◆ Successfully incorporate international professionals into your company.
- ◆ Discover how to benefit from innovative partnerships.

**Don't miss this chance to shape the initiatives
that will transform your company's workforce.**



MORNING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Labor and Workforce Trends: The Regional Economic Climate
and Projections for the Future**

Rae Rosen

Senior economist and an assistant vice president at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

AFTERNOON KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Diversity Enriches The Leadership of Tomorrow

Jose Antonio Tijerino

President and CEO of the Hispanic Heritage Foundation



**Friday,
April 27, 2007**
8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Tarrytown House Estate & Conference Center

The Biddle House
49 E. Sunnyside Lane
Tarrytown, NY

For more information or to
register online, log onto:

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or call LTCommunications
1.914.375.0544

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- 8:00am Registration and Breakfast Buffet
Welcome and Introductions
U.S. Congresswoman Nita Lowey
State Senator Suzi Oppenheimer
County Executive Andrew Spano
- 8:50 **Keynote Speaker Rae D. Rosen**
Labor and Workforce Trends: The Regional Economic Climate and Projections for the Future
- 9:30 **Session One** - Interactive Roundtable Discussions
- 10:45 **Session Two** - Interactive Roundtable Discussions (repeat of Session One)
- Noon **Lunch and Networking**
- 12:30 **Keynote Speaker Antonio Tijerino**
Diversity Enriches the Leadership of Tomorrow
- 1:00 **Dr. Joseph N. Hankin**, *President of Westchester Community College*
Preparing Tomorrow's Workforce--From Vision to Action

Directions to Tarrytown House Estate & Conference Center

To use online maps or GPS devices, please enter the following address:
49 E. Sunnyside Lane
Irvington, NY 10533

OR

check online for directions at
www.tarrytownhouseestate.com
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ROUNDTABLE TOPICS

R1: Work Locally, Compete Globally - Building the Regional Skilled Workforce

As Westchester County and its business community look forward to growth and opportunity, creating a skilled labor force that will rise to its demands remains a primary challenge. This panel will explore the role of immigrants in this new labor market and the advantages of expanding the capacity of the skill sets of the labor force to increase the competitive edge of Westchester's newest workers.

Panelists

Dr. Peter A. Creticos, *President and Executive Director of the Institute for Work and the Economy and Senior Research Associate at Northern Illinois University Outreach*

John M. DeMarco, *Senior VP and Corporate Counsel for Lowe Enterprises*

Timothy Indiveri, *Section Manager of Recruitment, Con Edison*

Jon B. Schandler, *President & CEO, White Plains Hospital Center*

Moderator Team: Farhad Ameen, Lori Maida & Ann Rubenzahl

R2: Access to Success - Higher Education, Language and Literacy

How do we ensure that our region remains a vital engine in today's "knowledge-based economy"? Join representatives from educational and business institutions as they outline strategic responses to educating, training and cultivating tomorrow's skilled labor force. Find out how K-12 school systems are preparing students and what changes are in store for higher education and ESL programs.

Panelists

Tara Colton, *Associate Research Director, Center for an Urban Future*

Dr. Suma Kurien, *Director, LaGuardia Community College Center for Immigrant Education and Training*

Dr. Howard W. Smith, *Superintendent, The Public Schools of Tarrytown*

Moderator Team: David Bernstein, Beth Grube, & Carol Passariello

R3: Economic Development - Innovation and Partnerships for Business, Education and the Community

Westchester and Fairfield County businesses, colleges and nonprofits are preparing to partner in the Department of Labor's multi-million dollar WIRED project (Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development) to develop the leadership, vision, and strategies to compete globally. Through a public/private partnership, Westchester Community College's new Gateway Center will provide educational opportunities for thousands of students and workers. How can your organization participate in and profit from new partnerships?

Panelists

Julian L. Alssid, *Executive Director, Workforce Strategy Center*

Christopher Bruhl, *Head of the Business Council of Fairfield*

Dr. Timothy Dowding, *Associate Professor-in-Residence & Director, University of Connecticut*

William M. Mooney, Jr., *President, Westchester County Association*

Moderator Team: Marge Glusker & Eve Bohn

R4: Immigration Policy and Legislation - Creating Policies that Work

Obtaining clear, objective information regarding immigration policy and legislation is key for leaders in the business community. Engage with legislators and policymakers as they discuss the development and implementation of comprehensive solutions to the challenges posed by immigration and its effects on the business community.

Panelists

Hon. Jose Alvarado, *Westchester County Legislator, District 17*

Robin Bikkal, Esq., *Senior Partner, Silverman, Bikkal & Sandberg LLP*

Chung-Wha Hong, *Executive Director, The New York Immigration Coalition*

Moderator Team: Ruben Barato, Julius Ford, & Christolyn Williams

R5: The New Talent Pool - Diversity, Leadership and International Professionals

The face of America's labor force is changing dramatically. How will these diverse professionals re-shape our traditional business models and how can our institutions be more responsive in cultivating new leadership? Discover ways to leverage your talent pool and successfully incorporate global professionals into the workplace.

Panelists

Manuel Boado, *President & CEO, SPANUSA*

Nikki Cicerani, *Managing Director, Upwardly Global*

Elizabeth McIsaac, *Executive Director, Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council (TRIEC)*

Moderator Team: Talbert Spence, Patrick Hennessey & Tere Wisell

R6: Cost of Living - Building the Infrastructure for the New Workforce

In today's competitive marketplace, attracting and retaining skilled workers often hinge on the strength of a region's infrastructure and variables such as housing costs and accessible public transportation. Explore ideas for how businesses could work with community or government resources to address the challenges of bridging the gap between the salaries and cost of living.

Panelists

Jerry Mulligan, *Westchester County Planning Commissioner*

Dr. Brian Nickerson, *Director, Pace University Edwin G. Michaelian Institute for Public Policy & Management*

Isabel Villar, *Executive Director, El Centro Hispano, Inc.*

Moderator Team: Jeff Conte, Shelley Garnet, & Saul Yanofsky

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REGISTRATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:
Title:
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Email

INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

Each registrant may attend two different Interactive Roundtable Discussions. The roundtables will be offered beginning at 9:30am and repeated (not continued) at 10:45am. Roundtable groups are limited in size, so please indicate a first choice and an alternate choice for each session.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

Online: go to registration form at www.sunywcc.edu/forum

By fax: fax completed form to 1.914.375.0096

By email: email completed form and payment information to: forum@luztirada.com

By mail: mail completed form and payment to:
 WCCF Forum
 c/o LTCommunications
 2 Bashford Street
 Yonkers, NY 10701

SESSION I 9:30am to 10:30am

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- R2: Access to Success: Higher Education, Language and Literacy
- R3: Economic Development - Innovation and Partnerships for Business, Education and the Community
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- R5: The New Talent Pool – Diversity, Leadership and International Professionals
- R6: Cost of Living - Building the Infrastructure for the New Workforce

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REGISTRATION RATES

Advance Registration (by April 22)
Please fill out separate registration form with roundtable choices for each person.

\$75 Business Registrant
 \$60 Business Group Rate (2 or more)
 \$60 Westchester Community College Alumni
 \$35 Non-profit Registrant(s)

Please note: All cancellation/refund requests must be received in writing no later than April 20.

On-site Registration fees will be \$95 for business registrants and \$50 for non-profit registrants

SESSION II 10:45am to 11:45am

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