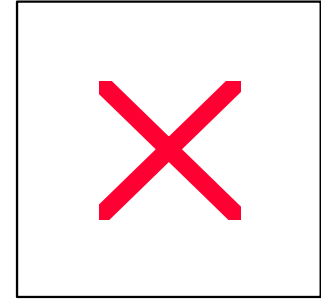




**Regional Neighborhood
Network Conference
(RNNC)**
September 17-19, 2009
Decatur, IL



Call for Presentations

The RNNC 2009 host committee is accepting workshop proposals for presentations at the RNNC conference in Decatur, IL. The committee is looking for presentations on the topics listed below. Please contact Richelle D. Irons, riron@decaturil.gov, 217-424-2864 for more information.

- Public Speaking 101
- Youth Involvement
- Crime Prevention – Creating Safer Neighborhoods
- Fundraising Efforts
- Communication Tips
- Clean and Green – Beautification Efforts
- Community Building and Organizing
- Effective Leadership skills
- Prison Re-Entry Programs
- Understanding Diversity
- Self-help Initiatives
- Faith Based Initiatives
- Foreclosure Prevention Ideas & Tips

Please address your proposal to:

City of Decatur
RNNC Decatur IL 2009
ATTN: Richelle D. Irons
Economic & Urban Development
#1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza
Email: riron@decaturil.gov
Phone (217)424-2864

Terms and conditions: Proposals must be submitted in the prescribed "Proposal Outline". Proposals may be submitted in writing, via email or US mail. Speakers are required to pay transportation expenses, and provide their own computers. LCD projectors will be furnished by the conference. Priority will be given to speakers and/or panels with grassroots neighborhood leadership. Workshops will be held on Friday, September 18 and/or Saturday, September 19. The review committee reserves the right to merge workshops and panels as deemed appropriate. Upon approval, a speaker commitment agreement will be sent to all speakers.

Proposal Outline

Please respond on letter-sized (8 1/2 x 11) paper or via email, using the following outline:

I. Workshop Information:

- A. **Title** – suggested workshop title for registration booklet (based on topic list)
- B. **Description** – for registration booklet, 60 word maximum
- C. **Extended Description** – include three learning objectives for review committee discernment, 300 words maximum
- D. **Speaker bio** --50 word maximum
- E. **Neighborhood Participation** – describe how the workshop will involve and potentially impact the grassroots neighborhood attendees
- F. **Session Format** (e.g. panel, moderated session, debate, clinic, lecture, etc.)
- G. **Audio/Visual equipment** – please list equipment to be used. LCD projectors to be provided by conference

II. Lead Contact & Panelist Information:

- A. **Name and Title**
- B. **Organization / Affiliation**
- C. **Is this person a grassroots neighborhood leader**
- D. **Address, including City, State & Zip Code**
- E. **Phone Numbers, including Daytime, Evening & Fax**
- F. **Email Address**
- G. **Prior presentation experience**

Deadline: All proposals must be emailed or postmarked by **Friday, May 29, 2009**

Visit our website www.decaturl.gov for additional conference information.