

# YouthVoice 2024

13<sup>th</sup> NCACC Youth Summit August 9-10, 2024, Forsyth County

## **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

# Friday, August 9

Sessions held at the Embassy Suites and Benton Convention Center, Winston-Salem

1:15 - 3:30 p.m.

\* OPTIONAL \* Reentry Simulation with County Officials (Separate Registration Required) (Benton Convention Center, Winston 1BC)

The Reentry Simulation simulates the struggles and challenges faced by individuals who are transitioning from incarceration back into society. It is designed to mimic one month in the life of an individual who has just been released from prison and is now on probation, post-release, or parole. Over the course of roughly 2 hours, participants experience the first month of post-release life. Each participant assumes the identity of a formerly incarcerated person and receives a packet of materials, including a "name history" and a "life card." Expect to gain an understanding of obstacles faced by individuals attempting to acquire resources from various agencies upon their release from incarceration.

This exercise is facilitated by Audra Holsapple, MS, Community Development Specialist - Division 1, Rehabilitation & Reentry, NC Department of Adult Correction

2:45 - 3:30 p.m.

Check-in window (Lobby of the Embassy Suites Winston-Salem, 460 North Cherry St.)

4 - 4:30 p.m.

**YouthVoice Orientation** (Embassy Suites Gaines Ballroom 1&2)

What is YouthVoice, and why are you here? The orientation provides information about the NCACC and its involvement in youth leadership development; a welcome from NCACC President Johnnie Carswell of Burke County; a look at each of the partner organizations; and an overview of YouthVoice events.

4:30 p.m.

See the World Through 'Real Colors' (Embassy Suites Gaines Ballroom 1&2)

At one time or another, everyone reaches a point where they wonder, "Why do people do the things they do?" The answer may surprise you! Everyone has a distinct temperament spectrum comprised of four colors: Blue, Gold, Orange and Green. In this "Real Colors" session, you will learn how to quickly identify your own "color" and personal strengths, as well as that of others. Using this powerful knowledge, you can develop more effective communication skills and build better relationships by recognizing and appreciating the strengths and viewpoints of others.

County officials are invited to participate in the Real Colors training with Youth Delegates.

The session is being facilitated by Dan Clark, Director of Montana State University's Local Government Center. An avid hiker, cross-country skier, rock and ice climber, and mountaineer, Dan is a Montana State Extension faculty member and former Mayor of the City of Choteau, Montana.

## Friday (continued)

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. **Dinner** (Benton Convention Center, Winston 2)

7:30 – 9 p.m. Resume 'Real Colors'

9 – 10 p.m. Youth Delegate Ice Cream Social

## Saturday, August 10

Check out of rooms and put luggage in vehicles by 7:30 a.m.

7:45 – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast** (Embassy Suites Gaines Ballroom 1&2)

8:45 – 11:15 a.m. Find Your County's 'Bottom Line!' (Embassy Suites Gaines Ballroom 1&2)

Designed as a classic board game, "Bottom Line!" is an engaging learning tool that simulates the county budgeting process. Attendees will work together in small groups – acting as boards of county commissioners – to first decide what values are most important to their counties. The simulation then challenges groups to remember those values during scenarios that force them to choose between cutting programs/services or increasing taxes/fees in order to balance an annual budget.

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. **Evaluation** (Embassy Suites Gaines Ballroom 1&2)

11:45 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. Lunch with county officials, plenary session and documentary screening (Benton Convention Center, Salem Ballroom)

County officials and Youth Delegates come together for lunch and discussion on community issues and/or lessons from YouthVoice.

#### From Boomers to Gen Z: Bridging Generational Gaps for Effective Teams

Join leadership coach Stefanie Adams as she dives into the quirks and qualities of each generation. Discover how to build an unstoppable team by embracing generational diversity.

#### Documentary Screening: 'The Generation Theory'

100 Strong Productions, a division of NCACC that seeks to uncover the issues and highlight the stories of North Carolina and its counties through film, will screen its new documentary, The Generation Theory: Work and Public Service Across Generations.

Watch the trailer at vimeo.com/960503385!

2:30 – 3 p.m. NCACC Business Session and adjourn (Benton Convention Center, Winston 2)

Three Youth Delegates will be asked to provide a report-out to counties during the Association's annual business meeting on lessons and takeaways from YouthVoice.