

Lehigh County Conference of Churches: Justice and Advocacy

Homelessness: Voices of Hope



Saturday, September 26, 2009

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

St. John's United Church of Christ

36 S. Sixth Street

Allentown, PA 18101

610-433-0146

Keynote: "Putting a Face on Homelessness"
with Paul Lucia

Homelessness: Voices of Hope Congregations can and do help people struggling with homelessness. The LCCC's fall Justice and Advocacy seminar will focus on homelessness and public policy. A variety of opportunities for our local congregations to engage in the work of homelessness prevention will be presented. Our program will include an overview of circumstances that contribute to homelessness; recent initiatives that are making measurable progress toward ending homelessness in the Lehigh Valley; workshops on public policy advocacy; and opportunities to meet with homeless people and network with representatives of other Lehigh Valley congregations concerned about homelessness and affordable housing.

Plenary Panel Discussion Sessions:

- Morning session: **Who's Homeless in the Lehigh Valley**
- Afternoon session: **Responding to the Trauma of Homelessness: Children, Veterans, Jobless**

Workshops:

- *Voices of Hope* - community newspaper published by and for Lehigh Valley people who are or have been homeless
- **Public Policy Advocacy -Starting a peace and justice group in your church**
- **Homelessness, Networking, and Public Policy**
- **Measurable Community Progress Toward Ending Homelessness**

Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided (suggested donation: \$5)

Sponsored by the **Lehigh County Conference of Churches (Justice and Advocacy Committee)**. Pre-registration by **Sept. 23** is appreciated, but not required. For further information, contact the LCCC office at 610-433-6421 or ja@ja.ppjr.org, or see our web announcement for more details: <http://ja.ppjr.org>.

