

Jobs, Justice and Economics



Saturday, September 25, 2010

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

8th and Walnut Streets

Allentown, PA 18101

Keynote: "Standing for Workers in Times of Crisis"

with **Kim Bobo**, Executive Director, Interfaith Worker Justice

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Panel Discussion (morning session):

- **Community Resources for Unemployed People**

Plenary (afternoon session): **Thomas J. Hyclak** and **Kim Bobo**

- **Getting Back to Work** – with living-wage jobs

Workshops*

- **Jobs and Workers – current legislation and public policy**
- **New immigrants & American workers – Adversaries or Allies?**
- **How economic policy affects workers and employment**

Continental breakfast and lunch are included (suggested donation: \$10)
(students or unemployed: \$5, or what you can afford)

Sponsored by the **Lehigh County Conference of Churches - Justice and Advocacy Committee**. **Pre-registration by Sept. 22nd** is appreciated.

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- 8:30 am** **Registration**; displays, coffee/tea & conversation
- 9:00--10:15** **Welcome**, Devotions, Introductions, Overview
Keynote: Kim Bobo, "Standing for Workers in Times of Crisis"
- 10:15-10:30** **Break**
- 10:30-12:00** **Panel:** "Community Resources for Unemployed People"
Tom Sedor, *Career Link*, Business & Industry Representative
Ryan Knepp, *Lehigh County Conference of Churches*
Larry Quintana, *Pathways to Green Jobs*, Workforce Navigator
Cecilia Rodriguez, *Career Link*, Employment Counselor
- 12:00-12:45pm** **Lunch**
- 12:45-1:55** **Plenary Discussion:** "Getting Back to Work"
with **Thomas Hyclak** and **Kim Bobo**
Thomas Hyclak is Professor of Economics, Lehigh University
How do we get unemployed people back to work, in jobs that provide living wages and fair working conditions?
- 2:00-2:55** **Advocacy breakout session** – (parallel workshops)
– New immigrants and American workers – why we depend on each other
Emma Cleveland, *ACLU*
– Labor Markets and Economic Justice
Bob Wendt, *Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation*
– Jobs and Economic Policy - Overview of Current Legislative Issues
Bob Walden, *LCCC Justice & Advocacy*
- 2:55-3:00pm** **Closing**

* This is a tentative schedule; please check the web announcement for program and schedule updates, and for program details, directions, and parking information, at jobs.ppjr.org or Email: ja-msc@ppjr.org or call the LCCC office at 610-433-6421.

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