

KENTUCKY LONG-TERM POLICY RESEARCH CENTER

Measures and Milestones

Charting Our Path to Prosperity

November 20, 1997

The Center for Rural Development
Somerset, Kentucky

REGISTRATION—8:00 to 9:00 a.m. (EST)

**WELCOMING REMARKS & PRESENTATION OF
THE VIC HELLARD, JR., AWARD —9:00 to 9:30 a.m.**

Theatre

Governor Paul E. Patton
Senator Nick Kafoglis, Chair, Kentucky Long-Term Board of Directors

PANEL DISCUSSION—9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Theatre

- *How true “community” visions of progress can be shaped and advanced. How do we create a shared vision of the future? Why are these efforts important and necessary? Who does it and how does it get started?*
 - Moderator: Dr. Ron Hustedde, Associate Professor, Rural Sociology, University of Kentucky
 - Dr. Lori Garkovich, Associate Professor, Rural Sociology, University of Kentucky
 - Dr. Mark Peterson, Extension Service, University of Arkansas
 - Phil Scharre, TVA, Quality Communities Initiative

BREAK 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.

PANEL DISCUSSION—10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Theatre

- *How successful state, county, municipal, and citizen-based visioning efforts were designed and launched.*
 - Moderator: Dr. Penny Miller, Associate Professor, Political Science, University of Kentucky
 - Chuck Coates, City Manager, Bowling Green
 - Jeanne Gage, Director, Sustainable Communities Initiative, MACED
 - Billie M. Sebastian, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center
 - Nancy Stone, Simpson County Chamber of Commerce

LUNCH with FEATURED SPEAKER—NOON to 1:15 p.m.

Exhibit Hall North

Dr. Carolyn J. Lukensmeyer, founder and director of *America Speaks*, a nonprofit dedicated to participatory governance, former advisor to the White House and Project Director for the National Performance Review

CONCURRENT SESSIONS—1:30 to 2:45 p.m.

Theatre:

- *How and to what extent the media should become involved in community development initiatives.*
 - Moderator: George Graves, Executive Director, Kentucky Center for Public Issues
 - Bill Bishop, Associate Editor, *Lexington Herald-Leader*
 - Judith Clabes, President & CEO, Scripps-Howard Foundation
 - Tom Gish, Publisher, *The Mountain Eagle*
 - Rita Mitchell, Editor, *The Fulton Leader*

Exhibit Hall South:

- *Why measuring progress is key and how to choose indicators.*
 - Moderator: Daniel Hall, Assistant to the President for University Relations, University of Louisville
 - Dr. Tom Forsythe, TVA, Quality Communities Initiative
 - Dr. Betty King, Pulaski County Extension Agent for Home Economics
 - Jeanette Rogers, Director of Community Development, Owsley County Action Team
 - Rene True, Director of Research, Economic Development Cabinet

BREAK 2:45 to 3:00 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS—3:00 to 4:15 p.m.

Theatre:

- *How to invest community initiatives with staying power.*
 - Moderator: Sylvia Lovely, Executive Director/CEO, Kentucky League of Cities
 - Steve Beshear, former Lt. Governor and Chairman of the Kentucky Tomorrow Commission
 - John Bowling, Mayor, City of Danville
 - Mary Helen Miller, Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center, Board of Directors
 - Steve Miller, Executive Director, Buffalo Trace Area Development District

Exhibit Hall South:

- *How much citizen participation is enough and how it can be effectively marshaled. How do we get citizens involved in the process?*
 - Moderator: Alayne L. White, Director, Institute on Women and Substance Abuse, University of Kentucky
 - Michael Blandford, Fulton County Quality Community Council
 - Brenda Cockerham, Johnson County Extension Agent for Home Economics
 - Ron Payne, City Manager, Owensboro
 - Dr. Rona Roberts, Roberts and Kay, Lexington