

NCDD Networking Luncheon

Denver, Colorado (The Wellshire) - Friday, October 22

Our Program

10:30 am Sign In & Informal Networking

Check in early and mingle! Participants will receive a packet of materials (including NCDD's new *Resource Guide on Public Engagement*), and author **Larry Dressler** will be with us to hand out free copies of two of his top-notch books on consensus and facilitation (on a first come, first served basis).

11:00 am Welcome (Anne Neal)

Our M.C., **Anne Neal** of Vision-Mission-Strategy, Inc., provides an overview of the day. **Amanda Kathryn Roman**, Executive Director of the Citizens in Charge Foundation, welcomes everyone on behalf of our national and local sponsors.

11:10 am Icebreaker / Networking Activity (Anne Neal)

What brings you here today? Why are dialogue, deliberation and public engagement important to you?

11:20 am Clearly Defining Success in Dialogue & Deliberation (Martin Carcasson)

Martin Carcasson, director of the Center for Public Deliberation at CSU, will lead a discussion on our goals and how we define success in dialogue, deliberation and public engagement efforts. See the "Goals of Dialogue & Deliberation" comic on the inside back cover of the Resource Guide on Public Engagement for reference.

11:50 am Table Discussions: What's Happening In Colorado?

Choose three of four 10-minute table discussions and cruise around World Café style to learn about regional projects:

- **Peter Adler, Keystone Center** – work with multi-stakeholder engagement processes and public officials.
- **Peggy Kerns, National Conference on State Legislatures** – encouraging state legislators to embrace deliberative public engagement techniques.
- **Bill Fulton, Civic Canopy** -- supporting problem-solving networks through technology.
- **Stan Deetz, University of Colorado at Boulder** -- teaching college students about deliberative democracy, and the recent 3CG conference on Reinventing Governance.

12:30 pm Casual Networking Lunch

Unstructured; continue the conversations you started in the previous sessions if you'd like!

1:15 pm Case Studies (Paul Alexander and Steve Konieczka)

Paul Alexander of Regis University's Institute on the Common Good and **Steve Konieczka** of the U.C. Boulder Communication Department will lead us in an exploration of some of the strategies, common challenges and lessons learned from 2 large, ongoing regional projects: Colorado's Future Project and the Boulder Community Collaboration Group.

2:30 pm Building and Sustaining Collaborative Relationships (Bill Fulton and Barbara Lewis)

Bill Fulton of The Civic Canopy and **Barbara Lewis** of the Corporation for Positive Change will lead this segment on building and sustaining collaborative relationships among practitioners, community leaders, and the public sector in the Boulder-Denver region. To wrap up, attendees will share any ideas generated throughout the day and discuss next steps.

3:30 - 5:00 pm Happy Hour

Continuation of informal networking and dialogue located in the cozy Onyx Lounge.