



PAL Grantee Convening: Day 1

July 28, 2009, 9:00 AM–4:30 PM
Sheraton Hotel
421 South Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Meeting Agenda: Day 1

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| 8:00–9:00 AM | Registration and Informal Continental Breakfast |
| 9:00–9:15 AM | Welcome by Raleigh Chamber of Commerce
The CEO from the Raleigh Chamber has been invited to welcome the grantees and discuss the initiatives that Raleigh has undertaken in its region. |
| 9:15–10:15 AM | Welcome and Introductions
Julie Bennett and Mark Lelle will welcome everyone, provide a brief update on PAL, and set the stage for our second convening of the Regional Prosperity Initiative (RPI). Grantees will introduce themselves to the group and provide a 5-minute description of their regional prosperity project status, including a preview of a challenge/opportunity they want to focus on during the afternoon session. |
| 10:15–11:15 AM | Regional Stewardship: Why Is It Important?
Michael Langley, President of the Langley Group, and Stephen Michon, Managing Director of FutureWorks, will explain why it takes a <i>region</i> to achieve prosperity and discuss the importance of efforts like those of RPI grantees in creating and sustaining regionwide prosperity. |
| 11:15–11:30 AM | Morning Summary
Close out the morning session and break for lunch. |
| 11:30 AM–12:15 PM | Lunch |
| 12:15–1:45 PM | Regional Stewardship: Lessons and Tools for Success
Building upon what they have explained in the morning session about why your work is so important, Mike and Stephen will share best practices and key strategies for increasing the impact of your work. They will also provide examples of similar successful efforts from around the country. |
| 1:45–3:15 PM | Pursuing Regional Opportunities
This interactive discussion led by Stephen and Mike focuses on the opportunities/challenges participants are discovering in their regions and how to leverage or overcome them. Participants should come prepared to use their answers to the following questions as the basis for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What 2-3 strategies have you used to achieve success so far in your regional effort? In other words, what has worked? How do you plan to build on or leverage that success to advance your goals, or extend it to other regional priorities? What are the challenges that still block your success? What has been helpful to you in working through these dilemmas and challenges? |

- What kind of advice or guidance would you like from others at the meeting (speakers, other attendees) to help you and your organization move through these challenges? What conversations are you hoping to have with those in the room and at the broader conference tomorrow? Are there certain questions you would like answered or issues you would like to learn more about? (Please refer to the Alliance for Regional Stewardship Regional Strategies Forum agenda for July 29)

3:15–3:30 PM

Break

3:30–4:30 PM

How Can We Work Together?

PAL has both regional grantees and a Leadership Council versed in state policy.

- What possibilities are presented by state and regional leaders working together? (For example, what state policies need to be put in place to help RPI grantees in their regional efforts? What must RPI grantees be prepared to provide or do to achieve state-level policy change?
- Why might it be that we have not had more collaboration across regions and between regions and the state?
- If we were to try to deepen our collaboration, what challenges might come our way and how might we meet them?
- What has emerged for you today that is meaningful and important? What steps might we take in response?

4:30–5:30 PM

Break

5:30–7:00 PM

Group Dinner

Grantees can network and continue the conversation from the day.
