

Newsletter

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Office of Research and Economic Development Funds WRI Population Health Research

WRI has received a \$150,000 grant, in collaboration with Dr. Mark Aakhus and his team in New Brunswick, to conduct interdisciplinary population health research. Camden and New Brunswick campuses will provide matching funds to support the effort. Sarah Allred, WRI Faculty Director, commented, "we at WRI appreciate the recognition of this important work and are excited about the opportunity to partner with Mark. Thanks also to Benedetto Piccoli, Associate Provost for Research, for helping to raise these funds."

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First Burlington County Collective Youth Committee Meeting

On Tuesday January 23, 2018, the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office spearheaded a multi-disciplinary collaborative meeting, encompassing all youth serving committees in bold pursuit of increased information sharing, synergies and streamlining of efforts. The meeting, held at the Burlington County Emergency Training Center, and was led and organized by First Assistant Prosecutor, Philip Aronow.

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Steered Straight Inc., Back to Classroom Evaluation Begins

WRI is now working with Steered Straight, Inc. on an evaluation of their Back to Classroom Initiative. Steered Straight, founded in 2000 by Michael DeLeon, aims to reach young people through motivational speaking, life-sharing seminars and an interactive curriculum to reduce the number of young people that enter the criminal justice system.

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Upcoming Events

League of Municipalities

– March 20, 9:30am, Hotel ML

“Is South Jersey Getting its Fair Share of Public Goods? A Forum”

Presented by WRI Executive Director Darren Spielman and moderated by Bridgeton Mayor Albert Kelly, the forum – presenting the “South Jersey ‘Fair Share’” report, includes analysis and discussion of distribution of State resources to North, Central and South Jersey. Panelists include Kris Kalluri, Christina Renna, Mayor James Maley, and invited Majority Leader Louis Greenwald. Register and view agenda here.

The Forum About South Jersey

– April 5, Rutgers – Camden Campus Center, 3:00PM

A follow up to “Is South Jersey Getting its Fair Share of Public Goods?”, this study follows the rest of the money – Presented by Michael Hayes

WRI Faculty Fellow Assistant Professor Michael Hayes will share his research on the distribution of State funds to municipalities in North, Central, and South Jersey – following the 75% of funds not analyzed in the first study. Registration will open soon.

17th Annual Walter and Leah Rand Awards and Scholarship Dinner

– April 26, 6pm, The Merion

This event honors South Jerseyans of the year in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors and raises funds to support students and the mission of WRI. **Registration and sponsorship opportunities open soon.**

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