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"Poverty, Partnerships and the Public Good: A Call for Engagement by North Carolina Institutions"
Save the Date: November 25, 2013, 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Carroll Hall, Freedom Forum Conference Room
Hosted by the UNC Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity and the Program on Public Life

The last decade has presented notable challenge in North Carolina. Even as the economy grew, before 2008, poverty and economic inequality became more pronounced. Then, with the unfolding of a deep and wounding recession, economic hardship mushroomed and prospects for recovery and enhancement proved slow and illusive. Our poverty, unemployment, food insecurity, and uninsured rates rose to among the worst in the country.

Against this stubborn backdrop, in 2013, the North Carolina General Assembly altered the political landscape markedly. Major changes in taxation, health care, economic development, unemployment compensation, public education, government benefits, and an array of other programs were initiated. The impact on low income North Carolinians may prove to be enormous.

On November 25th, the UNC Poverty Center and the Program on Public Life will convene a set of intimate discussions to explore obligations, strategies and opportunities for various North Carolina advocates, service providers, institutions, programs, universities and funders – private and public – to address the challenges presently faced by poor and low income North Carolinians. We hope you will mark your calendars and plan to join us in Chapel Hill. Event details and registration information will be forwarded in the coming weeks. Your response is not needed at this time, but please contact [Mary Irvine](mailto:Mary.Irvine@unc.edu) if you have any questions.

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