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Workshop for Excluded Communities

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Hosted by
Legal Aid of North Carolina Clients Council,
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and
Southern Moore Alliance of Excluded Communities

Workshop Program

Registration, 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

I. The Problem and Effects of Exclusion
10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Speakers:
- Willis Williams, Legal Aid of NC Clients Council
- Bobby Person, Southern Moore Alliance of Excluded Communities (SMAEC)
- Evan Lewis, Legal Aid of NC – New Bern office

This session introduces the phenomenon of municipal exclusion. Panelists will talk about how the many meanings of exclusion, but will focus particularly on how the situations of excluded communities are partly attributable to land use laws and the growth patterns of predominantly white municipalities. Speakers will introduce the concepts of extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ), and annexation, and help participants make a connection between their daily life and these forces. Panelists will also explain what the workshop’s goals and importance in addressing the problem of exclusion.

II. Documentary Screening
10:45 a.m. – 11:15 p.m.
Invisible Fences: Municipal Underbounding in Moore County

III. Organizing for Services & Inclusion: Success in Moore County
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Speakers:
- Carol Henry & Oneal Russ, Jackson Hamlet Community Action
- Maurice Holland, Midway Community Association
- Hilton Dunlap, Voices for Justice
- Shanda Whitaker, Waynor Road in Action

Participants will hear and discuss examples of communities that have successfully used activism as a way to bring necessary services to their area. Activists from Moore County will discuss history of exclusion, tactics, and victories. Trainers will introduce the tips for community organizing, funding resources available to excluded communities or their bordering municipalities for infrastructure improvements, and strategies for prioritizing a community’s needs.

IV. Lunch
12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

V. The Meaning of Exclusion in Eastern NC
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Speakers:
- Joe Moody, Halifax County
- Florine Bell, Lincoln Heights
- Diane Standaert, Center for Civil Rights
- Luticia Allen, Pantego Area Community Development
- Ron Jenkins, Countywide CDC
- Jim Grant, Legal Aid of NC Clients Council

The purpose of this panel is to facilitate discussion about exclusion in Eastern NC. Is it the same as in Moore County with minority communities lacking access to basic services such as water, police, sewer, or the right to vote? Are there other types of exclusion that occur in Eastern NC? The panel and audience are encouraged to share concrete examples of exclusion in their communities. Through this discussion, workshop participants will have better ideas about what unique struggles occur in Eastern NC, where the struggles are similar, and how we can begin addressing exclusion in our own communities and as a broader network of communities seeking municipal inclusion.

VI. From Discussion to Action
2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Facilitators:
Willis Williams, Legal Aid of NC Clients Counsel
Amina Turner, NC NAACP

All workshop participants will have the opportunity to talk about strategies they can pursue together. The first part of the discussion will focus on identifying first steps to organizing excluded communities in Eastern NC. The second part of the discussion will focus on how to begin institutionalizing the information from the day and lay the groundwork for a broader organization that will help connect communities in the struggles.

VII. Documentary Screening (optional)
30 minutes of Banished
(see handout)