

ELCA Weeklong Community Organizing Training

August 9-14, 2015 (Sunday evening through Friday afternoon)

Ask Yourself:

- Are you as effective of a faith leader as you are called to be?
- Do you struggle to activate people into leadership roles that are fulfilling for them and contributing to the vitality of the ministry?
- Could your ministry be more fully engaged in its community of context?
- What's holding you back?

Community Organizing provides a set of principles and practices that empower people to take collaborative action for the sake of their common life. In Hebrews 10:24 we read: "Let us provoke one another to love and good deeds." Community Organizing shows us how.

WHERE: The Lutheran Center (Churchwide offices), Chicago IL (8765 W. Higgins Rd.)

COST: \$550 – includes registration, lodging, meals, materials, BUT NOT TRAVEL.

Register Online at <https://community.elca.org/CommunityOrganizingTrainingAugust2015>

COMMUTERS: \$225 – includes registration, meals, materials, BUT NOT TRAVEL OR LODGING.

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LODGING: The Radisson Rosemont, a few miles west on Manheim Rd.

Double occupancy lodging covered by registration fee, for 5 nights, starting Sunday, August 7th.

For those desiring a private room, there will be an additional charge of \$50 per night. On the online registration form, you can indicate your roommate preference or your need for a single. Willing to share a room, but no roommate in mind? We'll pair you with someone in the same situation.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION between the hotel and the Lutheran Center will be provided.

REDUCED FEE CONSIDERATIONS – A limited number of "cost reduction grants" are available for leaders who would otherwise be financially precluded from participating. Inquire directly with susan.engh@elca.org if you know of interested individuals who might have this need.

A separate registration link for those who are approved will be provided by Susan.

TRAVEL – *Your arrangements and costs for travel to and from Chicago for this event are your own responsibility.* So, decide soon, to assure that you get a decent air fare!

Invest in your own development, and contribute to the development of other leaders and the ELCA, by participating in this training event. You won't regret it!