



2019 Forum Highlights

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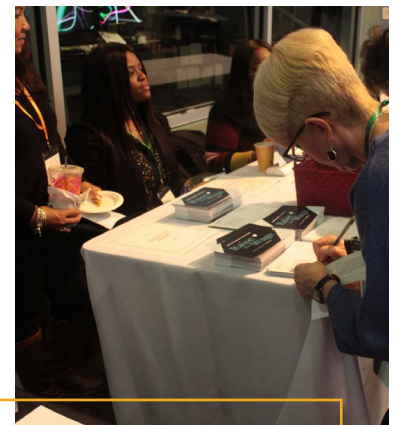
Working together to create opportunities for upward economic mobility.

The Forum showcases some of the brightest minds working both locally nationally to explore the cutting edge work that will move people and communities out of poverty—for good. Featuring world-class social justice thought leaders, the Forum has covered the racial and economic systems that work against individuals and families living in poverty.



2019 THOUGHT LEADER

Dr. Beth Babcock, MCRP, PhD, president and CEO of Economic Mobility Pathways, gave a keynote address on how poverty affects the human experience and how it can be reversed.



224

BOOMING ATTENDANCE

224 people attended the Forum in 2019, a 75% increase in attendance from 2018.

ADVOCACY IN ACTION

200+ voices were heard in Harrisburg, urging action to raise the minimum wage to a living one and to combat policies like the Cliff Effect that punishes job promotions.

“Wow! This was probably the best conference I’ve ever attended. Excellent on all levels.”

95%

HIGHLY-RECOMMENDED
95% of respondents would recommend the Forum on Justice & Opportunity to a friend.

CHALLENGE POVERTY

In the *Falling Off the Benefits Cliff* breakout session, partners from the Leap Fund revealed that raises can result in lower overall earnings.



EDUCATION CREDITS

In partnership with Bryn Mawr College, licensed social workers received up to four continuing educational credits.



15+

PARTNERS

More than 15 regional businesses, organizations, religious institutions, and media companies sponsor the Forum each year.



FIGHTING PREJUDICE

The *It's What You Say and How You Say It* breakout session brought together people and organizations like *One Step Away* and *Generosity* to change the narrative on those who live in poverty.

93%

INSPIRING CHANGE

93% of attendees found that the overall event accomplished its goal of creating community conversations and inspiring change.

CONTACT

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