MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5 | DAY 1

6:00 – 8:00 PM  Networking Reception
Room: Huron – 23rd floor
Join us for an evening of celebration and conversation! A cash bar and hors d’oeuvres will be provided.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | DAY 2

7:30 – 8:15 AM  Breakfast Available
Room: M Avenue

8:30 – 9:00  Welcome and Opening Remarks
Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
Steve Nicholas, Vice President, U.S. Program, Institute for Sustainable Communities
Jennifer Patrick, Program Officer, The JPB Foundation
Sarita Turner, Director of Inclusive Communities, Institute for Sustainable Communities

9:00 – 10:30  The Climate Change Economy: A Wealth and Power Building Opportunity
Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
Keynote: Nathaniel Smith, Chief Equity Officer, Partnership for Southern Equity
Panel Discussion:
Reverend Booker Vance, Policy Outreach Manager, Elevate Energy
Nile Malloy, Senior Program Manager, Neighborhood Funders Group
Nathaniel Smith, Partnership for Southern Equity
Moderator: Sarita Turner, ISC

Climate change presents an existential threat to people everywhere, but addressing that threat holds tremendous economic promise. While these economic opportunities are growing, the participation of people of color in the climate field remains minimal. Businesses, entrepreneurs, and workers of color must also benefit and lead in this “new climate economy” because while climate resilience requires resilient infrastructure and recovery strategies, those necessary steps will never be able to scale without economic resilience.
DAY 2 CONTINUED

10:30 – 10:45  Break: Transition to Breakout Rooms

10:45 – 12:00 PM  Breakouts Round One: Power and Preparedness

   Room: Michigan - 23rd floor

   Steve Adams, Director of Urban Resilience, Institute for Sustainable Communities
   John Huffington, Director, Workforce Development, Living Classrooms Foundation

   An effective neighborhood emergency management system is critical to making a community resilient. But, what is a neighborhood emergency management system? Are there government resources available to support building and maintaining emergency services? How do I approach the development and implementation of such a system? This session will offer tips and tools on how to keep your neighborhood safe in the face of disaster and emergency.

2. Just Transition to a Climate Economy for All  
   Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor

   Nile Malloy, Neighborhood Funders Group
   Warren Adams-Leavitt, Manager, Strategic Energy Initiatives, Westside Housing Organization

   “Just Transition is a vision-led, unifying and place-based set of principles, processes, and practices that build economic and political power to shift from an extractive economy to a regenerative economy.” — Just Transition Alliance

   This session will explore the Just Transition framework to learn how we can shift from an extractive economy to a fair and sustainable economy where we all can participate and prosper.

3. Organizing for Change in Climate Resiliency  
   Room: Huron - 23rd floor

   Rev. Booker Vance, Elevate Energy
   Cherie Brooks, Executive Director, Power 52

   Bringing communities together to organize for action is a necessary aspect of building strong, resilient communities. This session will discuss collaboration, partnerships, and smart organizing principles as influence and power building tools. We will look beyond surface-level solar positions and toward extending opportunity and expertise into the greater climate economy.

12:00 – 1:00  Lunch Twister – Twist your team with another for optimal peer learning  
   Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
DAY 2 CONTINUED

1:00 – 1:15  Transition into Teams for Planning Clinic

1:15 – 3:45  Partnership for Resilient Communities: Planning Clinic Part One

Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
Chrysta Wilson, Wilson and Associates Coaching and Consulting

Teams will work together with Chrysta Wilson to develop ideas and next steps for the creation of a three-year plan. ISC staff and peer-learning presenters will be available to serve as resources during this planning time.

3:45 – 4:00  Break

4:00 – 4:45  Team Reflection on the Day

4:45 – 5:00  Day Two Closing Remarks

5:00 – 6:15  Break

6:15  Meet in Lobby for Rides to Dinner

7:00 – 9:00  Hosted Dinner

Mr. Brown’s Lounge: 81 East Wacker Place, Chicago, IL 60601
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 | DAY 3

7:30 – 8:00 AM  **Breakfast with Counterparts**  
*Room: M Avenue*

Connect with members of other teams to explore partnerships and learn from one another.  
What did you get from the first day?

8:15 – 9:00  **Living Cully: Leading and Building Our Own**  
*Room: Tip Top Tap North – 23rd floor*

Taren Evans, *Neighborhood Revitalization Manager, Habitat for Humanity Portland/Metro East (Living Cully Partner)*  
This inspiring story about the Cully neighborhood of Northeast Portland offers smart lessons in resilience building for us all. Determination, community organizing, partnerships, collaboration, and crowd-funding are some of the key ingredients to the success of Living Cully.

9:00 – 9:15  **Transition to Breakouts**

9:15 – 10:30  **Breakouts Round Two: Foundational Components**

1. **Communicating for Success: Building a Narrative that Wins Hearts, Minds, and Resources**  
*Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor*

Kimberley Rudd, *CEO, Rudd Resources*

Do you need to inspire others to invest in and support your resilience efforts? The ability to tell your community's story well is often a make-or-break aspect of building a strong foundation for your work and broadening support and resources. Gain approaches and tools from this session that help build a narrative about the complex intersection of climate resilience, economics, race, and community.

2. **Figuring out Funding: A Never Ending Pursuit**  
*Room: Michigan - 23rd floor*

Antonio Butts, *Executive Director, Walnut Way Conservation Corp.*  
Donna Givens, *Executive Director, Eastside Community Network*  
Jaime Love, *Senior Program Officer, Institute for Sustainable Communities*  
Nile Malloy, *Neighborhood Funders Group*  
Steve Nicholas, ISC  
Taren Evans, *Habitat for Humanity Portland/Metro East*

Clean energy and green infrastructure projects in disinvested, overlooked communities take more than just people-power – it requires financial support. This session will dive into innovative financing, fundraising, and funding models that can help communities continue and grow their work.

10:30 – 10:45  **Break and Transition Time**  
*Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor*
DAY 3 CONTINUED

10:45 – 1:40  Partnership for Resilient Communities: Planning Clinic Part Two
(Working Lunch Served at Noon)
Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
Chrysta Wilson, Wilson and Associates Coaching and Consulting

1:40 – 2:20  Moving Your Work into Action
Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
Keynote: Bina M. Patel, CEO, Saathi Impact Consulting
After two days of planning, it's now time to go back home and get into action! It's not easy for people and communities of color to carve out leadership space in this predominantly white climate arena. This closing session will focus on the action steps to help move you into the next level of your work, all while keeping equity in the center.

2:20 – 2:50  Team Report Outs
5 min each

2:50 – 3:00  Closing Remarks
Room: Tip Top Tap North - 23rd floor
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