The Center for Research in Nutrition and Health Disparities, and the Environment & Sustainability Program, Presents:

Friday, March 31, 2017
11:30am- 4:30pm
Carolina Alumni Center

Co-Hosted By:
The School of the Earth, Ocean and Environment and The Department of Environmental Health Sciences

Keynote Speaker:
Representative Harold Mitchell, Jr.
District 31- Spartanburg County

Keynote Address: “The ReGenesis Project: Moving Spartanburg, SC from Surviving to Thriving”
Agenda

11:30am - 12:00pm  Registration, Student Poster Session

12:00pm - 12:10pm  Welcoming Remarks

12:10pm - 12:30pm  Lunch is Served

12:30pm - 1:10pm  Keynote Address (Over Lunch):
“The ReGenesis Project: Moving Spartanburg, SC from Surviving to Thriving”

Speaker Bio: Rep. Harold Mitchell, Jr. is a respected leader with a long record of achievements in affordable housing, environmental justice, community revitalization, and public policy. He is the Founder of ReGenesis in 1998 and served as the Executive Director of this non-profit organization until 2012. During his tenure ReGenesis leveraged over $250 million in revitalization, clean up, housing, job training, federally qualified health centers, and infrastructure. Rep. Mitchell also established job training initiatives as part of a Hope 6 Grant in 2005 for residents of public housing and residents of a local homeless shelter, many of whom were veterans. As the Executive Director of ReGenesis, a not for profit developer of quality affordable housing, he has a reputation for a steadfast commitment to voting rights. Moreover, he is a respected advocate for racial justice and served as the Chairman of the SC Legislative Black Caucus during the 2012-14 cycle.

1:15pm – 2:00pm  Session I: Public Health Impacts of Climate Change
An examination of trends and current/emerging food and environmental challenges and solutions arising from climate change, sanitation and subsequent health problems. Presenters will provide 10 minute presentations followed by a Q & A session with the audience and/or panel discussion.

2:00pm - 2:05  Break
2:05pm - 2:50pm  Session II: When Communities Lead Food and Environmental Change
An examination of community responses to trends and current/emerging food and environmental challenges and solutions arising from food production and availability, dietary patterns and poverty. Presenters provide 10 minute presentations followed by a Q & A session with the audience and/or panel discussion.

2:55pm – 3:50  Roundtable Panel and Discussion
Where Urban Meets Rural: Nutritional Impacts of Down Home Ecology
All over the world, in hyper-urban environments, one of the things that gets lost is the huge nutritional benefit of living embedded in a rural ecology. Urban communities often gain access to an increase in caloric intake—but at the expense of the broad nutritional intake afforded by a wide range of scavenged, gathered, hunted, casually cultivated, intentionally cultivated, and locally-exchanged foodstuffs. We want to open up this discussion to help people see what gets lost in community movement from field- and river-side to grocery store aisles.

3:50pm - 4:15pm  Poster Session/Afternoon Snack

4:15pm- 4:30pm  Door Prizes, Poster Competition Winner Announcement, Closing Remarks

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