SYSTEM OF SUPPORT
in the Cedar Valley
NEIGHBORS FOR PEACE, PROSPERITY & COMPASSION

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1
8:00 AM - 3:30 PM*

VAN G. MILLER
ADULT LEARNING CENTER
AT HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
120 JEFFERSON STREET, WATERLOO, IOWA

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!
eop.uni.edu/system-of-support
$25 - 6 CEUs
8-8:45AM
REGISTRATION & MIXER

8:45-9AM
WELCOME

9-10:15AM
COMMUNITY PANEL: ONE YEAR LATER
FACILITATOR ABBY TURPIN | KWWL
DEBRA HODGES-HARMON | CEDAR VALLEY IOWA WORKS
CARY DARRAH | GROW CEDAR VALLEY
CHRISTINE KEMP | PEOPLE’S COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC
MAYOR QUENTIN HART | CITY OF WATERLOO
CHIEF CRAIG BerTE | CEDAR FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT
ASST CHIEF DANIEL TRELKA | WATERLOO POLICE DEPARTMENT

10:15-11:30AM
SPEAKERS FORUM
EDUCATION
KINGSLEY BOTCHWAY II | WATERLOO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

LGBTQ
LIBBY FRY | UNI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

HOUSING
LISA AHERN | IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
JULIE DAWSON | WATERLOO HOUSING AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT
DEBRA HODGES-HARMON | CEDAR VALLEY IOWA WORKS
CARY DARRAH | GROW CEDAR VALLEY

11:30AM-12PM
ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS
12:15-1PM
LUNCH

KEYNOTE
   STEPHEN QUIRK | LUTHERAN SERVICES IN IOWA

1:15-2PM & 2:15-3PM
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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LEGAL ISSUES
   MICHELLE JUNGERS | IOWA LEGAL AID

3-3:30PM
CLOSING COMMENTS

3:30PM
HAPPY HOUR & NETWORKING RECEPTION
   BLUE IGUANA | 250 WESTFIELD AVE, WATERLOO
speakers

LISA AHERN
IOWA NORTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Lisa currently serves as a community development specialist for the Iowa Northland Regional Council of Governments and has 20 years of experience in the affordable housing industry. Prior to this, she managed the Housing Choice Voucher program for the City of Cedar Falls. Lisa has also owned and managed a grant writing company called Charitable Voice – where she worked alongside local governments and nonprofit agencies to assist them with their funding and community development needs. Lisa has a passion for organizing communities around the issues of homelessness and affordable housing. She has authored and managed many federal, state and private grant applications that have advanced the housing and redevelopment goals of communities.

ASST CHIEF CRAIG BERTE
CEDAR FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Berte is currently the assistant police chief and assistant director of public safety in the Cedar Falls Police Department. He received his BA in Criminology from UNI. Officer Berte started his career in law enforcement in 1986 as US Army Military Police officer. He has also served in the Army Reserve and Iowa Army National Guard as an artilleryman and forward observer. Since starting at the Cedar Falls Police department in 1991, Officer Berte has been a sergeant, lieutenant and captain on the force.

KINGSLEY BOTCHWAY II
WATERLOO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Kingsley Botchway II is the current chief officer of human resources and equity for the Waterloo Community School District. Botchway has given a number of keynote addresses at conferences throughout the state of Iowa. Kingsley holds a bachelor's degree in criminology from the University of South Carolina, and a professional doctorate in law from the University of Iowa. Kingsley has received additional training and certifications from Harvard, Iowa State, Iowa and Indiana Universities. Through his work in the community, he has served on many boards and commissions in Iowa, including five years on the Iowa City Council and two years as Mayor Pro Tem. On Iowa City Council, he was a staunch advocate in addressing affordable housing, creating economic development for communities of color, and introducing race-conscious approaches to Iowa City policies, procedures and protocols.

CARY DARRAH
GROW CEDAR VALLEY

Cary currently serves as the president and CEO of Grow Cedar Valley, which provides business services, community enhancements and advocacy efforts to grow the economy for the Cedar Valley. Cary started her work in community executive leadership in 1997 as the executive director of Community Main Street Cedar Falls. Through her work Cedar Falls main street was awarded as a ‘Great American Main Street’ by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. She later became the president of Techworks Campus and led the redevelopment of the area. Currently the campus has the only John Deere Tractor and Engine Museum, Marriott Courtyard Hotel occupying a former Deere factory assembly operation, and is home to the University of Northern Iowa Additive Manufacturing Center. She received her Bachelors of Science from ISU in Family and Consumer Sciences.
**JULIE DAWSON**  
**WATERLOO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Julie Dawson currently serves as the executive director of the Waterloo Housing Authority. Julie started her career in housing in 1990 and was a housing coordinator with the Authority. In 2003, Julie was instrumental in the establishment of the Housing Choice Voucher Homeownership Program, which enables current Section 8 participants use their voucher to assist with home mortgage payments. In conjunction with the Homeownership Program, Julie also launched a series of “Money Smart” financial literacy classes based on the curriculum created by the F.D.I.C. As executive director, Julie initiated the Waterloo Housing Authority’s VASH program, which combines rental assistance with supportive services for chronically homeless veterans. Ms. Dawson has devoted her career to providing housing to low-income residents in the City of Waterloo and continues to develop additional programs through the Authority to make “home” a reality for those living in poverty.

**LIBBY FRY, LMSW**  
**UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA - SOCIAL WORK**

Libby (she/her/hers) currently serves as an instructor for the Department of Social Work at UNI, and also teaches sexuality courses through the family services program, which she has done for almost 10 years. Libby is an alumna of the UNI Master of Social Work program. In the past, she has worked with families, children and adolescents around issues of development, healthy relationships and sexual health. She helped initiate Safe Zones training at her previous employment and was a founding member of the steering committee for the UnityPoint LGBTQ Clinic in Cedar Falls.

**MAYOR QUENTIN HART**  
**CITY OF WATERLOO**

Now serving his second term, Quentin Hart is the first African American to serve as Mayor of Waterloo, Iowa. Hart took the office in January 2016. He also served three terms as Ward 4 Councilman from 2008 through 2015 including an appointment as first African American Mayor Pro-Tem for the City of Waterloo. Previously, Mayor Hart provided leadership for promoting awareness and appreciation for diversity on campus and the community as Associate Director of Multicultural Affairs for Hawkeye Community College. He received his MAE in Postsecondary Education: Student Affairs from the University of Northern Iowa and has a BA in Sociology from Minnesota State and a Liberal Arts Degree from Iowa Central Community College. Hart serves with the US Conference of Mayors, National League of Cities, Accelerator for America Advisory Board, and National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity (NAPE) as well as numerous other regional and state organizations and appointments.

**DEBRA HODGES-HARMON**  
**CEDAR VALLEY IOWA WORKS**

Debra Hodges-Harmon is the team lead for the Business Service Team at the IowaWORKS Center in Waterloo. The Team provides assistance to businesses on a wide variety of topics, including talent recruitment, Registered Apprenticeship, Future Ready Iowa and Homes Base Iowa. Debra serves on several boards and advisory committees, she is vice chair of the local Homeless Board, past chair of People’s Community Health Center Board and the Jesse Cosby Center. She currently serves as a regional workforce board member appointed by Governor Brandsted. She has been instrumental in planning the Future Ready Iowa Regional Summit for the Cedar Valley and Economic Inclusion and Diversity Conference. Debra is a lifelong resident of Waterloo Iowa, and a graduate of West High School and William Penn University.
**MICHELLE JUNGERS**  
**IOWA LEGAL AID**  
Michelle began working for Iowa Legal Aid in 2007 and has been the managing attorney of the Waterloo Regional Office since 2016. She has been a board member of the House of Hope since 2016, serving as president, vice-president and capital campaign committee co-chair. She has also served on the board of Cedar Valley Friends of the Family since 2016, along with several other boards and advisory committees. She is a graduate of William Mitchell College of Law.

**CHRISTINE KEMP**  
**PEOPLE’S COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC**  
Christine Kemp currently serves as the CEO of People’s Community Health Clinic. Christine has worked at People’s Community Health Clinic since 1994 and has served as a revenue supervisor, business operations director, deputy director, and as the chief operating officer. She has worked heavily in public health fields and also currently sits on the Board of Directors for Cedar Valley Hospice. She received her BA in public health from ISU and her MBA from UNI.

**STEPHEN QUIRK**  
**LUTHERAN SERVICES IN IOWA**  
Stephen Quirk is the current associate vice president of child welfare services for Lutheran Services in Iowa. Prior to working with LSI, he served as the CEO of Youth Emergency Services & Shelter of Iowa. While working for YESS, he expanded the budget, available beds and workforce. Stephen is also an instructor at Des Moines University where he teaches courses on health care administration. Stephen received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science along with his Masters of Public Policy from UNI.

**CHIEF DANIEL TRELKA**  
**WATERLOO POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
Officer Trelka is the current chief of police at the Waterloo Police Department. In his time as chief of police there has been a reported 30% reduction in crime in Waterloo. Officer Trelka received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Mount Senario College in Wisconsin and his Master of Science Degree in Management and Organizational Behavior from Silver Lake College in Wisconsin. Officer Trelka sits on many community boards and is vice president of the board for the Family and Children’s Council of Black Hawk County.

**ABBY TURPIN**  
**KWVL**  
Abby Turpin co-anchors the 5, 6 and 10 p.m. broadcasts with Ron Steele. A Columbus, Ohio, native, Abby is a graduate of Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee. Prior to KWVL, Abby was the main anchor at RFD-TV in Nashville. She came to the cable network with experience from NBC and CBS news stations as an anchor and producer across the country. Community involvement has become the pinnacle of Abby’s work in news broadcasting. She has a genuine passion for getting out in the community when she’s not on the anchor desk or producing in the newsroom.