



2018 Spring Conference:

“Golden Reflections of Equality”

• Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act

• The Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

• A Tribute to Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood

Friday, April 6, 2018

The Foundry, Knoxville, TN

8:00- 8:30

Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 9:00

Greetings & Remarks

Mike Pappas, ECHO Board President

Beverly Watts, Executive Director, Tennessee Human Rights Commission

Steve Moore, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Becky Wade, Director of Community Development, City of Knoxville

Ben Bentley, Executive Director, Knoxville’s Community Development Corporation

Laura Swanson, Title VI Coordinator, Tennessee Housing Development Agency

9:00 – 9:45

Landlord - Tenant Law & Fair Housing (*Matthew Magrans-Tillery, Facilitator*)

Vanessa Bullock, West Tennessee Legal Services

Christina Magrans-Tillery, Legal Aid of East TN

Saadia Williams, Tennessee Human Rights Commission

10:00-11:00

Service versus Emotional Support Animals (*Lisa Wilkerson, Facilitator*)

Christina Magrans-Tillery, Legal Aid of East TN

Kara Davis, Knoxville’s Community Development Corporation

Saadia Williams, Tennessee Human Rights Commission

11:00 -11:45

Addiction & Housing (*Jennifer Bell, Facilitator*)

Brad Franks, Director of Addiction Services, Helen Ross McNabb

Citizen Speak: Overcoming Addiction

12:00 – 1:30

Lunch, Guest Speaker, & Awards Presentation

(Anazette Houston & Mike Pappas)

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Harold Middlebrook

“Keepers of the Dream”: Awards ceremony

1:30- 3:30

Emergency & Natural Disaster – How to Prepare

Knoxville-Knox County Emergency Management Agency (KEMA):

Colin Ickes, Director, KEMA, Knoxville, TN

Emergency Response – Lessons Learned

Stanley Taylor, COO, Tennessee Valley Coalition for the Homeless

15- Minute Break at 9:45 am

