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# IMMIGRATION REFORM, NUTRITION PROGRAMS HIGHLIGHT HUNGER TASK FORCE ADVOCACY CONFERENCE AGENDA, SEPT. 29

Milwaukee (Sept. 17, 2007)—Discuss proposed immigration reform and how it might affect access to nutrition programs for Wisconsin's poor, and learn about anti-hunger advocacy during **Hunger Task Force's Anti-Hunger Advocates Conference, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 at South Division High School (1515 West Lapham Blvd.)**. Presenters include former State Senator and current UWM political science professor Mordecai Lee; and Dan Lesser, senior attorney at the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law, Chicago.

Cost for the conference is \$15 per person and includes light breakfast, coffee and all training materials. No one will be refused participation if they cannot pay the fee. Free childcare for children ages 2 and older will be provided. To register call (414) 777-0483 or visit Hunger Task Force's Web site, [www.hungertaskforce.org](http://www.hungertaskforce.org).

Workshops include:

- **Immigrant Access to Nutrition Programs**—Explore recent trends toward immigration reform and anti-immigrant legislation, and how countering current anti-immigrant fervor may help ensure access to nutritious food for all Wisconsin residents. Presented by Dan Lesser and theater group Teatro Maqui.
- **Citizen Advocacy 101: A Two-Part Workshop**—Mordecai Lee will explain policy-making processes and give tips on being a better advocate. Learn how to conduct an effective meeting with a public official and the ins and outs of citizen advocacy.
- **MPS: Where We've Been, Where We're Going**—Delve into Hunger Task Force's recent and historic partnerships with Milwaukee Public Schools to feed children, and learn about an ambitious, long-term study that promises to have national impact on how and where school breakfasts are served. Presented by Kymm Mutch, Milwaukee Public Schools administrator, School Nutrition Services; and Jon Janowski, Hunger Task Force director of advocacy.

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- **The 2007 Farm Bill: Shaping Federal Food Policy**—The upcoming Farm Bill will govern food and agricultural policy for years to come, establishing a broad range of federal hunger, farm and conservation programs as well as providing funding to important nutrition programs such as Food Stamps, the Emergency Food Assistance Program and the Commodity Supplemental Food Program. Presented by Jonathan Bader, community action programs manager, Wisconsin Community Action Program Association; and Peter Bakken, coordinator for public policy, Wisconsin Council of Churches.

**Hunger Task Force** is an anti-hunger organization which believes that every person has a right to adequate food obtained with dignity. Hunger Task Force works to prevent hunger and malnutrition by providing food to people in need today and by promoting social policies to achieve food security tomorrow.