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Pattern's Annual Event
Sept. 24
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HUDSON VALLEY PATTERN FOR PROGRESS ANNUAL EVENT
Special Guest Speaker-
WES MOORE-CEO of the Robin Hood Foundation
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2019
ANTHONY'S PIER 9 | NEW WINDSOR, NY

Pattern for Progress will host its annual event at Anthony’s Pier 9 on September 24, an evening filled with fun, entertainment, and as is always with Pattern events, food for thought.

The guest speaker for the evening is Wes Moore, CEO of the Robin Hood Foundation, a nonprofit that works to alleviate problems caused by poverty. Moore is a decorated combat veteran, Rhodes Scholar, White House Fellow and a social entrepreneur. He is also the author of The Other Wes Moore, which will soon be a major motion picture by HBO and Oprah Winfrey.

At the event, Moore will give an inspiration-filled talk on transformational leadership, the power of education, and finding the will to achieve any goal. Moore’s book has been used by many colleges as part of freshman orientation.

The reception will offer ample networking opportunities as well as entertainment and delicious food. To reserve your seats and to explore sponsorship opportunities, go to Pattern’s website or email Robin at

Pattern Seeks Candidates for Fellows Program

Pattern is seeking candidates for its 13th Fellows class that is set to begin mid-October.

The innovative leadership curriculum is designed to expand the horizons of those already active in their communities and disciplines. Over the past decade, nearly 250 Fellows have graduated from the program, including leaders in finance, government, economic development, land conservation, law, human services, healthcare and academia, and more.

This year’s Fellows program will focus on leadership and the community, especially on overcoming the “us vs. them” mentality that permeates so much of the current discourse, whether on land use or community disputes.

“To say we are fractured as a society is an understatement,” said Pattern President and CEO Jonathan Drapkin. “We need to find a way to return civility to social discourse because that is fundamental to fixing so many issues.”

Josh Weiss, co-founder of Global Negotiation Initiative at Harvard University and president of Negotiation Works Inc., will join the program for four of the 22 sessions. Other speakers are being chosen for their role in resolving current or recent disputes within the Hudson Valley. The projects will focus on improving relations between various communities and among urban and surrounding area. The readings will focus on leadership and negotiation, and the point-counterpoint sessions will draw from ongoing disputes in the region.

The class meets on Tuesdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Newburgh. Pattern will also hold two networking sessions with alumni, allowing current Fellows to benefit from the insight and experience of former Fellows.

If you have someone in mind for the new class, please encourage them to email Jonathan Drapkin at
Pattern to Host Annual Housing Forum on November 1

Save the Date!

Pattern’s Center for Housing Solutions and Urban Initiatives will host its annual housing forum on Friday, November 1.

The theme of the 2019 forum will be “From Blight to Bright.” Pattern will bring together three nationally recognized speakers who will present real time solutions to help mitigate blight and revitalize our communities. These include Karen Black from May 8 Consulting in Philadelphia; Adam Zaranko, executive director of the New York State Land Bank Association and the Albany Land Bank; and Brian Pine of Burlington Associates.

Speakers will discuss the benefits and impacts of land banks and community land trusts, and will address the issue of affordable housing.

Madeline Fletcher, director of Distressed Asset Preservation at NYS Homes and Community Renewal, will moderate a panel on Comprehensive Community Development. The keynote speaker is Lynne Martine Patton, the head HUD official in New York state.

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