For 20 years this conference remains a flagship event for seeking solutions to economic injustices, rural disparities, and community development challenges. Please join us again this year as we share resources, network, and celebrate positive community outcomes.

**Community Development Finance**

Meet and hear from Jodie Harris, recently appointed Director of the CDFI Fund, on how the CDFI Fund generates economic growth and opportunity in many of the nation’s most distressed communities. Ms. Harris will also facilitate a panel discussion with North and South Carolina CDFI leaders on lending needs and strategies; Opportunity Zones; emerging trends and innovative programs; and other noteworthy financing solutions available for underserved neighborhoods.

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

**WES MOORE**
CEO of Robin Hood, one of the largest anti poverty forces in the nation. He is a bestselling author, a combat veteran, and a social entrepreneur.

**BOB FRIEDMAN**
Founder & Chair Emeritus of the Board for Prosperity Now and author of "A Few Thousand Dollars".

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Wednesday Events

A Conversation About Solutions to Economic Disparities
- Gary Cunningham, President & CEO, Prosperity Now
- Brad Ward, Lead Strategist, Community Philanthropy, Council on Foundations
- Dr. Nika White, Senior Advisor to the Greenville Chamber Chamber of Commerce
- Short Film: Segregated By Design

Spoken Word
- Bobby Harley, South Carolina State University, Poet Laureate

Member and Sponsor Reception
- Immediately following panel discussion on economic disparities

Thursday Breakout Sessions

- Community Development Finance
  - Jodie Harris, Director, CDFI Fund, U.S. Department of the Treasury, Invited

- Talk About It, Be About It: Taking an Authentic Approach to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
  - Meredith Mathews & Chynna A. Phillips, Sisters of Charity Foundation

- Returning Citizens: Addressing the Systematic Barriers Facing the Formerly Incarcerated
  - Jerry Blassingame, Executive Director, Soteria CDC, Author of “Reclaimed”

- Count Me In: Preparing for the 2020 Census
  - Naomi Lett, President and CEO, United Way Association of South Carolina & Mike Young, MA, Co-Interim Executive Director & Director of Capacity Building, PASOs

25th Anniversary Gala Celebration

Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 7 PM

- Gala Dinner
- Live Music
- Dancing
- 25 Years, 25 Stories of Impact Story Contest Winners
- Burke High School Student Art Contest Winners

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