
4th Annual Community Empowerment & Leadership Summit

Dates: August 19 & 21


Location: Fort Dodge, Iowa

Registration: 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Welcome & Introduction: 9:00 AM – 9:15 AM


Morning Breakout Sessions (Choose One)


Option 1: Proactive Community Safety

 9:15 AM – 10:45 AM


Topic: Strategic Approaches to Gun Violence Reduction in Fort Dodge

Speaker: Keiland Henderson, Assistant Director, Gun Violence Reduction

 **Break:** 10:45 AM – 11:00 AM


 **Continuation:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Alternative Option:

 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Topic: Entrepreneurship, Financial Empowerment & the SBDC

Theme: Pathways to Freedom and Investment Readiness

 **Break:** 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM

 10:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Topic: Workforce Readiness and Inclusive Hiring

Theme: Empowering Justice-Impacted Talent to Address Labor Shortages

Lunch Break

 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

We encourage all attendees to enjoy lunch at the Triton Inn.

Afternoon Sessions

Mastering Verbal De-escalation

🕒 1:00 PM – 2:15 PM

Topic: Building Skills for Conflict Resolution and Safety

☕ **Break:** 2:15 PM – 2:30 PM

Closing Keynote: THE POWER OF WE

🕒 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Speaker: Joshua Barr

Theme: Breaking Down Silos to Build a Stronger Organizational Culture
