

# NEWS

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### **Bergen LEADS Presents a Public Forum on the Future of Nonprofits** *New Strategies for the New Normal; Networking Reception to Follow*

North Jersey - Space is still available for the Bergen LEADS Class of 2013's Public Forum on Non-Profits' survival in challenging economic times. In an era of diminishing resources and increasing need, Bergen County non-profits are scrambling to provide much needed services and fulfill their missions. This Public Forum is presented by the graduating class of Bergen LEADS, the premier civic leadership program for adults sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Bergen County. The forum moderator will be Nina Stack, president of the NJ Council of Grantmakers.

The event, sponsored by TD Bank, PSEG, Synetek Solutions and Wilenta Carting, will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, from 3-5 pm at Bergen Community College's Ciccone Theater, 400 Paramus Road in Paramus. The presentation will be followed by a networking reception. The event is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required; call 201-489-9454 Ext. 119.

The Bergen LEADS Class of 2013 has spent months researching the current state of local nonprofits, as well as funding and collaborative models here and in other communities. They will present the findings of their research and make recommendations on ways in which Bergen County non-profit organizations could do business differently to meet the economic challenges of this "new normal."

To register for the forum and networking reception and for further information, email [amissey@bergenvolunteers.org](mailto:amissey@bergenvolunteers.org) or call 201-489-9454 ext. 119.

Founded by the Junior League in 1966, the mission of the Volunteer Center of Bergen County is to strengthen the community by connecting people with opportunities to serve, operating direct service volunteer programs, building capacity for effective volunteering, and participating in strategic partnerships that meet community needs.

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