



Purpose and Overview of the Event

- The event is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 21**, and will be hosted by Pastor Carl McCluster/Faith CDC at Shiloh Baptist Church in Bridgeport.
- The event aims to gather 40+ faith leaders to discuss health-related topics.
 - **Dr. Charles Steele, International President Emeritus of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference is identified as the keynote speaker**
 - A Panel discussion will ensue, with open discussion following
 - **3 PM to 6 PM** is the scheduled time of the event, starting with health screenings and ending with dinner.

Health Screenings and Initial Event Structure

- **Health screenings** will be conducted by HHC/St. Vincent's medical colleagues and will last for 2 hours, from **2 PM to 4 PM** and **health resources and information will be available after the event as well.**
- Pastor McCluster will host the event, with support from HH Southern CT President Bill Jennings and Kendall Palladino from SVMC

• **Raghu Murthy from Earth Justice** will also attend and present
Panel Discussion and Participants

- The panel discussion will focus on how to build trust to improve the health of our Black, Brown and other underserved communities.
- After sharing/presenting individually, **panelists will field questions from faith and community leaders** and lead discussions as to how we can collaborate in increasing efficacy and impact of medical and related services in our communities.

Confirmed Panelists include (Others to be confirmed this week) • Kendall Palladino, Director of Mission Services Division •

Dr. Sheryl Veliz / Dr. Valerie Brutus / Dr. Strick Woods

- Bobbi Brown, Bridgeport NAACP President
- Panelists will also include representatives from the HHC Latine colleague community. (Christian Alvarez, Jose Garcia, Antonio Torres, and Jahaira Burns – (Invited) perhaps others from SOMOS CRG.
- Hartford Health Chief Equity Officer Sarah Lewis, and members of her team are expected to attend.

Critical Information Sharing

- **The event will also provide the opportunity for participating Houses of Worship and Community Groups to have access to the Faith CDC/Hartford Healthcare Employment Portal.**
- The event will also serve as an opportunity to highlight **upcoming events, including the February “Community Conversation,” the Community Health Clinic on March 18th @ Shiloh,** and other Neighborhood Health Clinics.
- **Additional key resources** will be made available by the Mission Services/Community Health Department

- Civil Rights and Other Key Advocacy Organizations are Invited to participate in this critical discussion about OUR future.

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