

What Works Conference Speakers

Governor John Kitzhaber gave the 2012 Commission on Public Safety its charge to "identify fiscally responsible and sustainable evidence-based policies and practices that will control corrections growth, hold offenders accountable and protect public safety." John Kitzhaber first won election to the Oregon Legislature in 1978, and served a term in the Oregon House of Representatives. In 1980, he won election to the Oregon State Senate, and served three terms, leading to his election to the office of Senate President in 1985, a post he held until 1993. In 1994, and again in 1998, Oregonians elected John Kitzhaber as their governor. While leading state government, Governor Kitzhaber presided over eight years of significant economic growth. After two terms, John Kitzhaber continued his work to improve access to cost-effective health care, becoming one of the nation's most respected voices on health care reform. Concerned about the impact of the fiscal crisis on Oregonians, and seeing the opportunity through that crisis to create true systemic change, Kitzhaber ran for Governor again in 2010 and won election to an unprecedented third term.

The Honorable Paul J. De Muniz was elected to the Oregon Supreme Court in 2000 and served as the court's Chief Justice and administrative head of the Oregon Judicial Department from January 2006 to May 2012. Between 1990 and 2000, He sat on the Oregon Court of Appeals and served as presiding judge on one of the three panels that comprise that body. Prior to ascending to the bench, Justice De Muniz was in private practice for 13 years with the Salem, Oregon, law firm of Garrett, Seideman, Hemann, Robertson and De Muniz P.C., where he specialized in complex criminal and civil litigation, as well as appeals. From 1975 to 1977, he was a deputy public defender for the State of Oregon. He served as Chair of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety.

Attorney General Ellen F. Rosenblum began practicing law in 1975 at a small law firm in Eugene after graduating from the University of Oregon. Five years later she became a U.S. Assistant Attorney for the District of Oregon. As a federal prosecutor she specialized in financial crimes. In 1989, she was appointed to the Multnomah County District Court. Former Governor Barbara Roberts later appointed Ellen to the Circuit Court. Most recently, Ellen served as a judge on the Oregon Court of Appeals from 2005-2011. During her time as a judge she presided over thousands of cases involving Oregon citizens—from small claims to more serious crimes.

Senator Jackie Winters began her life-long interest in citizen involvement in public policy listening to her parents' discussions around the table in Topeka, Kansas, where she was born, and later in Portland, Oregon where her family moved in 1941. She attended Portland Public Schools and continued her education through the Oregon University System's Continuing Education coursework, with an emphasis on Intergovernmental Relations. She is a Flemming Fellow graduate. She began her governmental service in 1959, at Oregon Health Sciences University in the medical records unit and later joined the staff of the Portland Model Cities Program. In 1969, she was recruited to be supervisor of the Office of Economic Opportunity's New Resources Program at the request of Governor Tom McCall. In 1979, she was appointed Ombudsman, by Governor Victor Atiyeh. During this service, she helped create the Oregon Food Share Program, which grew in 2010, to include a statewide system of food banks serving most of Oregon's neediest families. In 1998, voters of District 31 elected Jackie, as their State Representative, the first African-American Republican to achieve this honor. She was re-elected to this office in 2000. In 2002, 2006 and again in 2010, she was elected as State Senator for District 10. She is a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety

Representative Chris Garrett was elected to represent House District 38 in November 2008, and took office on January 12, 2009. House District 38 encompasses the City of Lake Oswego and a portion of Southwest Portland. After graduating from Reed College with a degree in political science, Chris worked for Representative Richard Devlin in the Oregon House. He went on to earn his law degree at the University of Chicago Law School and clerk for the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York City. Since 2002, Chris has practiced law with the Portland law firm of Perkins Coie. He also served as Senior Policy Advisor to Oregon Senate President Peter Courtney. He is a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety.

Sheriff Jason Myers of Marion County, Oregon is a graduate of McKay High School and Chemeketa Community College where he earned an Associates of Science Degree in Law Enforcement. His career in Law Enforcement began at the age of 18 when he was hired by the Marion County Sheriff's Office as a summer Park Cadet. After serving during the summers as a Cadet, he joined the Marion County Reserve Deputy Program. In September of 1990, he was hired as a full time Deputy Sheriff. During his career with the Sheriff's Office he served in every rank of the Office. Sheriff Myers holds an Executive Police Certificate from the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. He is an active member of the Oregon State Sheriff's Association and serves on many community boards. Sheriff Myers is a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety.

Colette S. Peters is Director of Oregon's Department of Corrections and a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety. Ms. Peters was named by Governor John Kitzhaber to lead DOC after serving as the Director of the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) for several years. Prior to her role at OYA, Ms. Peters served as DOC's Inspector General and Assistant Director of Public Services. As DOC Director, Ms. Peters oversees the operations and policies of a corrections agency responsible for managing approximately 14,000 incarcerated individuals in 14 prisons across the state. She has ultimate responsibility for the management of a department with 4,500 employees and a biennial budget of more than \$1.4 billion. Ms. Peters also works closely with Oregon's state-funded community corrections agencies to coordinate the local supervision of more than 31,500 offenders on probation and parole. She is a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety.

Meg Garvin, M.A., J.D. is the executive director of the National Crime Victim Law Institute (NCVLI) and a clinical professor of law at Lewis & Clark Law School. Ms. Garvin has testified before the U.S. Congress and state Legislature on the current state of victim law. She serves on the Legislative & Public Policy Committee of the Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force, co-chairs the Oregon Attorney General's Crime Victims' Rights Task Force, and is a Board member of the Citizens' Crime Commission. She previously served as co-chair of the American Bar Association's Criminal Justice Section Victims Committee, and as a member of the board of directors for the National Organization of Victim Assistance.

Scott Taylor is the Director of Multnomah County Department of Community Justice in Oregon, which provides probation, parole and juvenile services. Prior to his work with the county, he held several positions within the Oregon Department of Corrections, including Community Corrections Chief, Assistant Director of Correctional Programs, and Assistant Director of Community Corrections. He is currently President of American Probation and Parole Association, consultant to the National Institute of Corrections, Past President of Luke Center for Catalytic Leadership and former Mayor of Canby, Oregon. He holds a Masters of Public Administration degree from Portland State University and Bachelor degrees in Sociology and Police Administration from Washington State University. He is a member of the Governor's 2012 Commission on Public Safety.

Mark Royal, Director is Director of Umatilla County Community Corrections, a position he has held for 16+ years. He began his service in the prison system in 1988, and has 25 years of corrections experience. Prior to his work in corrections, Mr. Royal was in private business. Mark Royal serves with the Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors (OACCD) as their past president, and has been with this professional association for over 8 years. Mr. Royal serves as vice-chair for the Umatilla County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, and serves as the Governor's appointed Community Corrections Director on the Governor's Reentry Council. Mr. Royal has developed several evidence based programs in Umatilla County and recently began training his staff in a new model of supervision entitled Effective Practices in Community Supervision (EPICS).

Kiki Parker-Rose is Director of Community Corrections, Klamath/Lake County. She obtained her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminology from then named Southern Oregon State College. She began her 20 year career in Adult Parole and Probation as a transitional services coordinator. Kiki became a probation officer in 1993 and has since supervised a full array of caseloads, including intensive supervision, drug offenders, sex offenders and domestic violence offenders. She was promoted to supervisor in 2001 and was responsible for the supervision of 19 field officers in Klamath and Lake Counties. She later received a Masters in Management Degree in 2006. Kiki was one of the program managers for the Klamath County Re-Entry Program and was instrumental in the development and creation of the highly successful program. Kiki became the Director of Klamath/Lake Community Corrections in 2010. Kiki currently serves as the Secretary for the Oregon Association of Community Corrections Directors and is Chair of the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council for Klamath County. She also volunteers as a CASA in Klamath County.

Anne Seymour has been a national crime victim advocate for 30 years, and is currently based in Washington, DC. She has specialized in victims' rights and services in the post-sentencing phases of criminal and juvenile justice cases. Seymour is a consultant to the Pew Center on the States Public Safety Performance Project, and has facilitated justice reinvestment outreach to victims and Roundtables in 15 states, including Oregon.

Keri Moran-Kuhn is Director of Programs at the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence.

Karen Phifer, MSW, LCSW is the Clinical Operations Supervisor at CARES Northwest. She oversees the day-to-day operations of CARES Northwest which serves over 1400 child maltreatment victims yearly. She has over 16 years of experience evaluating children in the hospital setting for child maltreatment concerns. Ms. Phifer has conducted assessments in two large tertiary care children's hospitals.

Elizabeth Drake is a Senior Research Associate for the Washington State Institute for Public Policy. The Institute was created by the legislature to carry out practical research on issues of importance to Washington. Ms. Drake was previously employed as a researcher at the Washington State Department of Corrections. She has professional experience conducting outcome evaluations, meta-analysis, and benefit-cost analysis in adult and juvenile justice. She received her B.S. from Bowling Green State University and her M.A. from Washington State University; both degrees are in criminal justice.