



Do YOU want to be an engaged, informed and effective citizen, grassroots organizer or issue advocate in Charlotte-Mecklenburg? You have to KNOW the system to WORK the system!

KIWI ORIGINAL PROGRAMS

CIVIC SUMMER SCHOOL

3-hour summer classes for adults!

- The Hidden Strategies and Techniques of Effective Advocacy
- Dollars and Sense: Understanding the Local and State Budget Process
- Make Your Voice Heard: Tried and Used Communication **Strategies**
- Talking to Elected Officials: What Works & What Doesn't!

Choose one class or attend all of them!

Complete curriculum with dates and locations for Civic Summer School '11 available July 14, 2011. Sign up at www.knowit2workit.org!

KNOWIT2WORKSHOPS

2-hour workshops hosted and organized by YOU!

KnowIt2WorkShops bring the best ideas and information from Civic **Summer School together with** interactive experiences based on real issues facing our community.

YOU gather people and find a meeting place. WE bring the program and all materials!

Host workshops at a time and place convenient for you and your group!

Don't have an organized group? Attend a Crossroads-sponsored workshop, held once a month.

Knowlt2WorkShops begin **Fall of 2011**

UPCOMING PARTNER PROGRAMS/COMMUNITY EVENTS

Youth Voices On Uptown Choices

Date and Time: Tuesday, June 28; 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Dowd YMCA, 7th Floor- 400 E. Morehead Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

RSVP at www.crossroadscharlotte.org or call 704-973-4577

"Charlotte-Mecklenburg youth are invited to attend and share their perspectives on recent unrest and violence in uptown Charlotte, and contribute their ideas on how to better involve and engage youth in uptown events!" This event is sponsored by Crossroads Charlotte, Kids Voting's Youth Voice/Leadership Alliance, Mecklenburg Ministries and the YMCA of Greater Charlotte.

Parent Workshops

Date and Time: Saturday, June 25 and Saturday, July 30; both from 8:30 am - Noon Location: Johnson C. Smith University, 100 Beatties Ford Road Charlotte, NC 28216-5302 RSVP/Information: Dr. Betty Howell Gray, 704.817.9341 or bettyhg@msn.com

"Parents will learn about legislation that will influence their child's education, receive training on how to be an effective advocate, decision maker, informed voter, and awareness of how to become an informed leader within the community. The workshops will also help alleviate barriers that existed because of miscommunication and misunderstandings." These parent workshops are sponsored by the Coalition for Strengthening Community Education in Charlotte (CSCEC), Johnson C. Smith University, Crossroads Charlotte and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in collaboration with U.S. Department of Education and the National Alliance of Black School Educators.

Immigration Rights Workshop

Date and Time: Saturday, July 9; 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Location: CN Jenkins Memorial Presbyterian Church (1421 Statesville Avenue)

RSVP/Information: Lori Fernald Khamala; <u>336-854-0633</u> or <u>336-413-8905</u>; <u>LKhamala@afsc.org</u> "This workshop will empower emerging leaders and grassroots organizers in the immigrant community with the tools to educate their friends, family members, neighbors and co-workers while building strength, unity and solidarity in their communities. Topics covered will include knowing your rights, detention issues, NC legislative processes and lobbying. Lawyers will be present." This workshop is sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg By the Numbers

Date: July 28, time and location to be announced soon!

"Numbers and data can help drive change – get equipped with the latest information on Charlotte-Mecklenburg! Explore who we are as a community through the latest U.S. Census data and learn how to use on-line tools from the U.S. Census to find out more about your neighborhood, Charlotte-Mecklenburg, North Carolina and the nation!" A program partnership with the U.S. Census office.

ABOUT KIDS VOTING MECKLENBURG - One of Our Valued KIWI Partners!

Kids Voting Mecklenburg is a non-partisan nonprofit (501c3) education organization connecting classroom education with community civic learning opportunities. We call that *civics in action*. It's the best way for students to develop civic literacy and leadership skills. **Find out more at www.kidsvoting.org!**