

Congressional District Advisory Councils (CDAC) Speakers' List

We are pleased to present the first edition of the PCSW Congressional District Advisory Councils Speakers' List. The idea for this project came from a suggestion at a CDAC meeting held in October, 2005. CDAC members, in their own work and organizations, occasionally need speakers for meetings and events. CDAC members offer expertise is on a wide range of issues and topics. We hope that this compilation will simplify the process of locating experts to speak at your local schools, workplaces, and in your communities. Each entry contains general information about the speaker, including contact information, area of expertise, and availability. Entries do not necessarily include all aspects of a speaker's professional experience or expertise, and potential speakers should be contacted directly for more specifics.

This Speakers' Bureau has been compiled by the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW) as a service to our CDAC members. PCSW does not endorse, and has not screened or in any way evaluated, the individuals listed in the Speakers' List. As always, you may also contact the PCSW for a speaker on the many issues affecting women in the state of Connecticut.

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If a CDAC member would like to be listed in our next update, please complete the survey included at the end of this packet and send to Barbara Potopowitz, PCSW Public Information Officer.



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Area of Expertise Risks of lawn-care pesticides; organic farms
Credentials Director of Health Education for Environment
and Human Health, Inc.; past CT Commission
on Health
Length in Field 25 years
Fee \$50-\$100
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Patricia Allyn Mechare
Address 78 Johnson Rd.
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Telephone (860) 824-0271
Fax not given
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Area of Expertise Willing to be part of a panel on topics relating
to education, children's literature, and small
town/local government
Credentials 37 years teaching experience; over 30 years
experience in local government; currently First
Selectwoman in Falls Village, CT
Length in Field 30-37 years
Fee none
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Clementina (Tina) Angeli
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Telephone (860) 653-3612
Fax not given
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Area of Expertise Emotional and spiritual counseling; meditation and relaxation; energy healing; past life regression; psychic/medium channeled energy healing; medical intuitive services; hospice support; reflexology
Credentials Founder S.O.U.L. Center (Source of Universal Love); spiritual/psychic/channel healer
Length in Field 20+ years
Fee flexible
Second Language Italian
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Jeannette Archer-Simons
Address Girl Scouts CT Trails Council, Inc.
20 Washington Ave.
North Haven, CT 06473
Telephone (203) 239-2922 ext. 3314
Fax (203) 234-6504
Email jeannette@cttrails.org
Area of Expertise Children's and girls' issues; health, safety and crisis management; strategic planning; budget and finance; non-profit issues and volunteer engagement; board development; marketing/public relations; fundraising
Credentials Executive Director/CEO Girl Scouts CT Trails Council, Inc., and past leadership positions at other Girl Scouts organizations; experience at Research Institute of America
Length in Field 16 years
Fee none - donation to Girl Scouts welcome but not required
Second Language some French
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Celeste Baranowski
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Stamford, CT 06902
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Area of Expertise Dental health and the dental health profession
Credentials CT Dental Hygienist's Association President
Elect; CT Alternative Practice Dental
Hygienist's Association immediate past
President; member Access to Dental Care Ad
hoc Committee of Department of Public Health
Length in Field not given
Fee negotiable
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Teresa Boyd Cowles
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Middletown, CT 06457
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Email teresa.boyd@po.state.ct.us
Area of Expertise Program evaluation; multicultural
education/diversity initiatives; technical
education; data analysis
Credentials Ph.D. Educational Psychology; M.A. Clinical
Psychology; B.A. Psychology
Length in Field 15 years
Fee negotiable, if any
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name	Carrie Gallagher
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Email	carrie.gallagher@gmail.com
Area of Expertise	Women's and girls' education; organization development and growth; international issues: domestic and CT connections; community improvement; volunteerism; leadership
Credentials	Program Director for Keep America Beautiful; Vice President and Co-founder of Lakeside Marketing Associates; PCSW Commissioner; Guest instructor for the Women's Business Development Center; member of American Association of University Women; active in United Nations Association - USA; Vice President Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund
Length in Field	20+ years
Fee	none
Second Language	none
Availability	day, evening, and weekend

Contact Name	Patricia T. Hendel
Address	127 Parkway S. New London, CT 06320
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Fax	not given
Email	SLHIGOR@aol.com
Area of Expertise	Ethics in state government; HESS; gender bias
Credentials	not given
Length in Field	30 years
Fee	none
Second Language	none
Availability	days, some evenings

Contact Name Gail Hill Williams
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Danbury, CT 06810
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Area of Experience Women in business; women starting own
business; creating new products
Credentials not provided
Length in Field 20+ years
Fee negotiable
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name William A. Howe
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Hartford, CT 06106
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Area of Expertise Title 14; sexual harassment; education laws
and civil rights of students; multicultural
education
Credentials Education Consultant at CT. Dept. of
Education; Founder of CT Multicultural
Education Conference; past President of
National Assoc. for Multicultural Education
(NAME); member of numerous advisory
boards for multicultural and diversity
initiatives and publications; experienced
speaker, instructor, and presenter; BA in
Psychology, and Elementary and Special
Education; MA in Management; MA and Ph.D.
in Education
Length in Field 30 years
Fee none for public schools and parents
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Ann Karrick
Address Westport, CT
Telephone (203) 254-3635
Fax not given
Email AnnKarrick@aol.com, www.AnnKarrick.com
Area of Expertise Broadcast media; public relations; marketing; media training for spokespeople
Credentials Experience at IBM, AT&T, PR agencies, Regional Manager, Golf Digest, TV and Radio
Length in Field 20+ years
Fee possibly
Second Language French and some Spanish, but wishes to speak publicly in English only
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Kay Maxwell
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Greenwich, CT 06831
Telephone (203) 661-2312
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Email kayjmax@aol.com
Area of Expertise International; elections issues; women and politics
Credentials President of League of Women Voters of the United States (LWVUS); chair LWV Education Fund; has held numerous leadership positions within LWVUS; active participant in US Dept. of State's International Speakers Program; has conducted civic participation programs around the world
Length in Field 30 years
Fee none
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Amelia P. Mustone
Address 34 Tonus Circle
Meriden, CT 06450
Telephone (203) 237-1275
Fax not given
Email apmusti@aol.com
Area of Expertise Women's rights; equal pay for equal work;
children's advocacy; public
relations/government liaison
Credentials 1975-79 President of Meriden Board of
Education; 1979-95 Senator from 13th District;
one of original sponsors of bill that initiated
PCSW; adjunct professor of political science at
Quinnipiac University
Length in Field 20 years
Fee none
Second Language none
Availability not indicated

Contact Name Pat Quigney Cassidy
Address 6 Pine Lake Rd.
Ridgefield, CT 06877
Telephone (203) 431-3657
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Email pqcass@aol.com
Area of Expertise Genocide in Darfur
Credentials Member of Save Darfur Coalition (D.C.), Africa
Action (D.C.), and Darfur Support Coalition of
Fairfield County
Length in Field 1 year
Fee travel expenses
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Ivette Rivera-Dreyer
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Manchester, CT 06045
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Fax (860) 512-3381
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Area of Expertise Education and higher education; financial aid;
small business issues; motivational/
inspirational speaking
Credentials Director of Financial Aid at Manchester
Community College; MA Administration in
Human Services
Length in Field 5-20 years
Fee none if related to work as Financial Aid
Director
Second Language Spanish
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Patricia Russo
Address 191 Smith Ridge Rd.
New Canaan, CT 06840
Telephone (203) 972-1788
Fax (203) 972-1721
Email geeshap@hotmail.com
Area of Expertise History and legislative agenda of the PCSW;
reproductive rights; women and politics
Credentials PCSW Honorary Commissioner; faculty
member at Yale's Women's Campaign School;
former Director of Planned Parenthood
Length in Field 30 years
Fee none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Karen Sands
Address 117 Painter Hill
Woodbury, CT 06789
Telephone (877) 777-5739
Fax not given
Email ks@futureworksinstitute.com
Area of Expertise Adult development and midlife specialist;
"greatness coach;" leadership; mid-career
change; life transitions and success; balancing
work and private life
Credentials President of Future Works Institute; extensive
public speaking experience; has been featured
in numerous prominent media outlets
including CNN and *The Wall Street Journal*
Length in Field 30+ years
Fee varies
Second Language some Spanish
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Fay Sheppard
Address c/o Merrill Lynch
157 Church St., 21st Floor
New Haven, CT 06510
Telephone (203) 789-2437
Fax (203) 789-2492
Email fay_sheppard@ml.com
Area of Interest Retirement planning; pensions; personal
finance; money management
Credentials MA in Accounting; certified financial planner
Length in Field 25 years
Fee none
Second Language Hebrew
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Evelyn M. Simien
Address 169 Vernon Ave. #129
Vernon, CT 06066
Telephone (860) 870-3945
Fax (860) 486-3347
Email simien@uconn.edu
Area of Expertise African American public opinion and political behavior; survey research and quantitative methodology; Black feminist and critical race theory
Credentials Assistant Professor of Political Science at UConn; extensive public speaking experience; published author; Ph.D. 2001; M.A. 1998; B.A. 1996
Length of Experience 10 years
Fee \$800-\$1000; negotiable
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Susan D. Toliver
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Area of Expertise Multicultural (including gender) organizational development; managing work and family life; African American women and families
Credentials Director of College Women's Studies program; extensive presentation experience; published author; Ph.D. in Sociology
Length in Field 24 years
Fee negotiable
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name Joyce A. Turcotte
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Monroe, CT 06468
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Fax (203) 459-2911
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Area of Expertise CPR certification and recertification; adult learning; professional presentation skills
Credentials President and CEO of Professional Learning Services; Educational Assistant in dental hygiene at Tunxis Community College; adjunct faculty at University of Bridgeport; extensive lecturing experience
Length in Field 1-4 years
Fee yes-to be negotiated
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

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PO Box 9334
Bolton, CT 06043
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Email mtytel@healthyworkplaces.com
Area of Expertise Leadership development; strategic planning; performance management; high potential coaching; cultural diversity and inclusion; balanced scorecard; outcome-based evaluation; organizational development; team building; social marketing; entrepreneurship
Credentials Certified Practitioner in Human Systems Dynamics; Certified Prevention Professional; Certified Executive Coach; Ph.D. in Public Health and Organizational Systems; MBA in Strategy
Length in Field 20 years
Fee negotiable, depending on for profit vs. non-profit
Second Language none
Availability day and evening

Contact Name	Winona Zimmerlin
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Area of Expertise	Social Security disability law; education law
Credentials	Private law practice; J.D. 1980
Length in Field	12 years
Fee	none
Second Language	none
Availability	day and evening

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Questions for CDAC Speakers' Bureau

Please complete the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

- Home
- Office

Telephone #: _____ Fax #: _____

Email Address: _____

Areas of interest or expertise that you would like to speak about (please include your credentials (professional, academic, or otherwise) in your area of expertise):

What is the length of your experience in your area of expertise? _____

Is there a fee? If so, the amount: _____

Do you speak a second language? _____ If yes, what language?: _____

- Availability:
- Day
 - Evenings
 - Both

