



Maine
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Turning Up the Heat on Maine's Energy Crisis: Philanthropy's Role in Creating Local Solutions



September 29, 2008
9:00 am – 12:00 Noon
Hilton Garden Inn, Freeport

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Program Objectives:

- Provide grantmakers and donors with a picture of Maine's changing energy position and an overview of efforts to provide increased fuel assistance, weatherization, and other conservation opportunities.
- Highlight local initiatives from around the state where philanthropy participates as a partner in addressing energy issues.
- Identify investment opportunities for funders to consider in order to fulfill their mission and have a greater impact – whether individually or collectively, locally or statewide, short- or longer-term.

AGENDA

1. Registration and Continental Breakfast
2. Opening Remarks and Introduction of Keynote Speaker.....Janet Henry, *MPC President*
Meredith Jones, *MPC Board Chair*
3. Keynote Address: "From Crisis to Opportunity".Angus King, *Independence Wind*
4. Panel Presentation: A Statewide View.....Meredith Jones, *Moderator*
 - **John Kerry**, *Director* of the Governor's Office of Energy Independence and Security
 - **Suzanne McCormick**, *President* of the People's Regional Opportunity Program (PROP)
 - **Kathy Poulin**, *Special Projects Coordinator*, MaineHousing
 - **Rob Brown**, *Executive Director*, Opportunity Maine
 - **Betsy Biemann**, *President*, Maine Technology Institute
5. Snapshots of Local Initiatives.....Janet Henry
 - **Martha Muldoon**, *Kennebunk Savings Bank*: York County
 - **Bill Brilliant**, *Downeast Energy*: Southern Mid-Coast region
 - **Mary Kate Reny**, *Renys*: Energy Task Force, Lincoln County
 - **Rev. Susan Crane**, *Franklin County Ecumenical Heating Fund*: Western Maine
 - **Gradette Hatala**, *William and Joan Alford Foundation*: Kennebec Valley
 - **Kathy Crossman**, *United Way of Eastern Maine*: Eastern Maine Funders' Energy Initiative
6. Project Outlines for Funder Consideration: From Emergency Assistance to.....Eric Buch
Alternative Energy and (Almost) Everything in Between *Energy Forum Coordinator*
7. Discussion of Next Steps and MPC Role.....Meredith Jones
8. Wrap-up and Evaluation / Adjournment