

# Community is Everything

## Agenda

### Wednesday, September 22

- 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.**                      **Registration:** Lobby Area
- 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.**                      **Welcome Reception:** Ambassador's Club  
1960's fashion (optional)
- 7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**                      **Dinner:** Ambassador's Club
- Topic:** Historical Perspectives, Travelers Aid International
- Keynote Speaker:**  
Eric Cimino, Ph.D., Asst. Professor of History and Political  
Science, Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY

### Thursday, September 23

- 7:00 a.m.**                                  **Breakfast Buffet:** 1962 Ballroom (next to lobby)
- 8:15 a.m.**                                  **Welcome!**
- Speakers:**  
Randall Brater, Chair, TAI Board of Directors  
Kathleen Baldwin, CEO/President, TAI
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**                      **TAI Member Introductions**



**Thursday, September 23**

**9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.      General Session**

**Topic:** Uplifting Non-Profits

**Keynote Speaker:**

Sonia Saleh, Fundraising Coach, Trainer and Speaker

**10:45 a.m.                      Break**

**11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.      General Session**

**Topic:** Community Partnerships

**Moderator:**

Donna Paramore, CEO, Travelers Aid Society of New Orleans

**Speakers:**

David Sinski, Executive Director, Heartland Human Care Services, Heartland Alliance, Chicago, IL

Ceciley Bradford, COO, Families Forward Philadelphia, PA

**12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.      Lunch**

**Topic:** TAI Annual Meeting

**1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.      Workshop**

**Topic:** Best Practices / Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers

**Moderator:**

Marcy Roke, President, Travelers Aid Society of San Diego

**Speakers:**

Aron Rubin, CSS, RSVP of New York City

Deirdre Ryan, CSS, RSVP of New York City

Peter Lauten, Program Manager, Travelers Aid Dulles

**2:45 p.m.                      Snack Break**



## Thursday, September 23

**3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.                      Concurrent Workshops**

**Topic 1:** Innovations in Airport Programs

**Moderator:**

Kimberly Gibbs, United Airlines

**Speakers:**

Leah Douglas, Director Guest Experience,  
Philadelphia International Airport, PA  
Scott Elmore, ACI-NA

**Topic 2:** Aging/Criminalization of the Homeless

**Moderator:**

Mollie Hester,

**Speaker / Panel:**

Jeff Smythe, CEO, HOPE Atlanta, Atlanta, GA  
Floyd Davis, CEO, Community Link, Charlotte, NC  
Jason Miller, CEO, Families Forward Philadelphia, PA

**4:30 – 5:30 p.m.                      Optional Airport Tour**

**Free time! Have fun!**

## Friday, September 24

**7 a.m.                                      Breakfast Buffet**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.                General Session**

**Topic:** Fundraising Strategies Post-COVID

**Moderator:**

Peter Lauten, Program Manager, Travelers Aid Dulles

**Speakers:**

Jeff Smythe, CEO, HOPE Atlanta, Atlanta, GA  
David Sinski, Executive Director, Heartland Human Care



## Friday, September 24

**9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.      General Session**

**Topic:** Non-Profit Social Enterprise

**Speaker:**

Jennifer Olmsted, PhD, Professor of Economics,  
Drew University, NJ

**10:45 a.m.                      Break**

**11 a.m. – 12 p.m.            General Session**

**Topic:** Refugee Services

**Speaker:**

Emira Habibi-Brown

**12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.        Lunch**

**1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.      Roundtable Sessions**

**2:45 p.m.                      Snack Break**

**3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.      General Session**

**Topic:** Life After – Rumination and Conversation

**Speaker:**

Ray Flynt

**4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.      Door prizes: MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!**

**See you next year in Oklahoma City!**