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COMMUNITY FORUM: WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL ABOUT VOTER ID'S?

A Panel Discussion about the Future of Voter-ID's in North Carolina

RALEIGH, NC – The next *Community Voices* Forum Series discussion on the topic of voter identification legislation is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 8th, 2011 at 5:30pm at Temple Beth Or in Raleigh**. This forum will explore the potential impact of voter-id legislation on several high-risk population groups, including the elderly, those without financial resources and those with disabilities.

“The potential for voter ID’s to severely limit access to at-risk communities is enormous,” said Kevin Rogers, Executive Director of the North Carolina Social Justice Project.” We cannot stand by and allow this to happen to our state without telling our side of the story.”

Our panel includes representatives of organizations whose constituents may be profoundly affected by this proposed legislation. This event is designed to involve all stakeholders in creating a common understanding of the current situation, trends, and possible outcomes.

The discussion will be led by the following panelists confirmed to date (others to be announced):

- **Damon Circosta**, Executive Director of the NC Center for Voter Education
- **Sarah Preston**, Legislative Director of ACLU of North Carolina
- **George Reed**, Executive Director of the NC Council of Churches
- **Bill Wilson**, Advocacy Director for AARP of North Carolina.

The *Community Voices* Forum Series is a presentation of the North Carolina Social Justice Project. This ongoing outreach and education initiative of NCSJP is designed to bring discussion about topical and relevant issues of importance to communities around North Carolina.

The North Carolina Social Justice Project (NCSJP) is a progressive non-partisan, non-profit organization that researches the causes of, solutions to, and advocates for the elimination of, the widespread social inequality among traditionally under-represented groups in North Carolina. While these problems manifest in a variety of ways, NCSJP tackles problems in four major areas: Human Rights, Education, Housing, and Finance.

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