

## **PANELIST**

**Dr. Gibson Morris, Executive Director,**  
ADWIRED Academy Mid-South Community  
College (West Memphis, Arkansas)

**Dr. Larry Day, Associate Executive Director**  
Mississippi State Board for Community and  
Junior Colleges

**Dr. Carol Tosh, Vice President of Student  
Services and Enrollment Management**  
Southwest Tennessee Community College  
(Memphis, TN)

**Lucille Booker, Special Projects Advisor**  
Office of the Mayor  
Shelby County, TN



**University of Memphis Holiday Inn  
3700 Central Avenue  
Memphis, TN 38111**

**Wednesday, March 25, 2009  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm**



## AGENDA

10:00 am REGISTRATION

10:20 am WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS and INTRODUCTIONS

***Martha Perine Beard, Senior Branch Executive***

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis  
Memphis Branch

10:30 am COMMUNITY COLLEGES:  
A ROUTE OF UPWARD ECONOMIC MOBILITY

***Natalia Kolesnikova, Economist***

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

11:30 am LUNCH

12:30 pm WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE REGION?

Moderator:

***Kathy Moore Cowan,***

***Community Development Specialist***

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis – Memphis Branch

Panelists:

***Dr. Gibson Morris***

***Dr. Larry Day***

***Dr. Carol Tosh***

***Lucille Booker***

1:55 pm CLOSING REMARKS

***Martha Perine Beard, Senior Branch Executive***

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis – Memphis Branch



***Natalia Kolesnikova joined the staff of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis in August 2007. She received her Ph.D degree in Economics and Public Policy from Carnegie Mellon University in 2007. Her primary areas of interest are labor economics, urban economics and applied microeconomics. She has published articles in the Journal of Labor Economics and the Regional Economist.***