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**TOPIC: Citizens Needed for “Community Voices” Program**

Communities everywhere need more people to step forward and lead their neighborhoods to solutions for issues and problems they are facing. The City of Henderson and surrounding areas in Vance County need concerned citizens who are willing to lend themselves to community-wide dialogue and problem solving. Community Voices can show you the way.

“Community Voices” provides free leadership development for public decision making. It helps ordinary people build leadership skills, teaches problem-solving skills which help to get things done. It develops decision making which brings people together and releases the skills and talents of individuals with untapped leadership potential. It gives community members an actionable, self-directed training program.

Thursday, October 13, 2016, at 6 P.M., a public kick-off session will be held at the Vance County Regional Farmers Market located at 210 Southpark Drive in Henderson (off Beckford Drive). Please join us to find out how “Community Voices” can help your community pinpoint issues and problems and move forward.

Concerned citizens, existing community leaders, and representatives from all community-based organizations are encouraged to attend. The goal of this kick-off is to introduce the “Community Voices” program and give residents the chance to define the issues they face, collectively as a community, and to find ways to solve them.

The program is sponsored by Vance County Cooperative Extension and The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T State University. Please register by calling Morris White, County Extension Director, at 252-438-8188 or email [morris.white@ncsu.edu](mailto:morris.white@ncsu.edu) and invite friends as well.

For accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact Mr. White no later than five days prior to the event.

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