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Keynote Speaker

Wes Moore

Two kids with the same name,
living in the same city.

One grew up to be a Rhodes
Scholar, decorated combat
veteran, White House
Fellow, and business leader.
The other is serving a life
sentence in prison for felony
murder.



Wes wondered how two young men from the same city, who were around the same age, and even shared a name, could arrive at two completely different destinies.

He decided to write to the other Wes Moore, and a month later received a letter back. He visited the other Wes in prison, spoke with his family and friends, and discovered startling parallels between their lives: both had difficult childhoods, they were both fatherless, were having trouble in the classroom; they'd hung out on similar corners with similar crews, and had run into trouble with the police.

Yet at each stage of their lives, at similar moments of decision, they would head down different paths towards astonishingly divergent destinies.

Wes realized there was a much larger tale about the consequences of personal responsibility and the imperativeness of education and community for a generation of boys searching for their way.

*Join us for informative sessions
on the following topics:*

**Resource Development
Program Sustainability
Community Economic Development
Innovative Projects
Adobe Photoshop
Advanced Excel 2007
Contingency Planning
Advocacy vs. Lobbying
Thriving in Change**

and much, much more!

Closing Speaker

Don Mathis

Don Mathis is the President and CEO of the Community Action Partnership, which is the national association for Community Action Agencies. Don's message will help remind us why we are fighting to protect the services which help all families and communities in Missouri thrive.

