

Save the date: Monday March 7th, 2011 -- 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Progressive Summit and Lobby Night

**Hosted by House Ways and Means Chairwoman Sheila Hixson
Convened by Senator Jamin Raskin and other legislators TBA
With the Progressive Working Group and Progressive Maryland
*All legislators and progressive organizations welcome!***

**House Ways and Means Committee
Hearing Room 131, House Office Building
6 Bladen St. off College Ave., Annapolis, MD**

Planned Press Conference on Fund Our Communities earlier – possibly at 5pm TDB

**Senators Paul Pinsky, Victor Ramirez, Bill Ferguson, and Roger Manno;
Delegates Elizabeth Bobo, Tom Hucker and Heather Mizeur plan to participate.**

**The Summit will provide organizations and legislators an opportunity to
unite support for specific bills, and build progressive momentum in Maryland.**

**To sponsor (help promote event) or participate, please
contact: membership@mdpwg.org**

**Legislators please include: your name, committee assignment, and legislative
priorities.**

**Organizations please include: your name, organization, contact info. and legislative
priorities.**

**This year, PWG members voted to focus on six issues: Transparency in
Government/Public Information Act Expansion, The Health Security Act, Campaign
Finance Reform, Offshore Wind Farm, Cost of War/Fund Our Communities Campaign,
and Combined Corporate Reporting--as well as facilitate progress on other issues. In
past years, we've focused on issues including Marriage Equality, Paper Ballot Voting,
Privacy Issues (ASVAB, Anti-Spying), Immigrants' Rights, Global Warming Legislation,
and more.**

**The Progressive Working Group supports a wide political, economic and social agenda
for the state of Maryland based on progressive principles and practical, effective
solutions to the challenges we face. We promote progressive campaigns and
candidates to advance the quality of life for all. We work to promote activism and
participation by Maryland residents through outreach and education. We challenge
candidates and elected officials to advance progressive values in their legislative
actions. Many progressive groups are working on issues in Annapolis, often with
limited cooperation or communication with other groups. The Progressive Working
Group will create opportunities for progressive organizations to share information,
assess legislation, as well as learn from and cooperate with each other on issues
affecting the well-being of Maryland's residents.**

**If you're interested in joining the PWG, email us at: membership@mdpwg.org Please
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