



NEWS RELEASE

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“Day for All People” - More than 200 Faith Leaders and Advocates to Lobby at the General Assembly on Jan. 22, 2019

Jan. 15, 2019 – Richmond

Over 200 people are already registered for Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy’s annual “Day for All People” on Jan. 22, to lobby their legislators about social, economic, and environmental justice issues. VICPP members from churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and other organizations will be traveling from across Virginia to make their voices heard.

As Virginia’s oldest faith-based advocacy group, VICPP is a non-partisan coalition of faith communities with 15,000 members working for a more just society. VICPP works to galvanize faith leaders and congregants to establish a coordinated community response to social justice issues. The General Assembly is the most critical time for the Center to impact social change by educating the public through community events and briefings, providing fact sheets, and lobbying legislators. VICPP is supporting legislation on issues including: wage theft, criminal justice, immigrant rights, and environmental justice – and opposing guns in houses of worship.

SCHEDULE:

- 7:30AM - Meet at **Centenary United Methodist Church**, 411 E. Grace Street in Richmond for briefings from policy experts and legislators on the issues of **wage theft, a driver’s privilege card for immigrants, and environmental justice issues**.
- 9:30AM – Participants walk to the Pocahontas Building to **meet with their respective legislators** to encourage them to support VICPP’s legislative agenda.
- 11:30AM - Return to Centenary UMC Church to write thank you letters and eat lunch.
- 1:00PM - Four workshops will be offered: **Medicaid Expansion Enrollment, Social Media Boot camp, Standing with Immigrants, and Environmental Justice**.
- **2:00PM - Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax** will address the group.

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The Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy advocates economic, social, and environmental justice in Virginia’s policies and practices, through education, prayer and action. To learn more, visit www.virginiainterfaithcenter.org.