



synerG to Host Event Series on Local Government, Economic Development, and the Local Election in October

October 5, 2009 – (*Greensboro, NC*) The synerG Leadership Initiative, in partnership with Elon University School of Law, will host a series of three events in October designed to connect young professionals with how local government works, issues in economic development, and to provide exposure to candidates running for Greensboro City Council.

The first event on October 14th at Elon University School of Law will focus on the structures and roles of our local government and will examine the City's revenue sources and major expenditures. Panelists include Interim City Manager Bob Morgan, Elon Law Professor Howard Katz and former Greensboro Mayor Carolyn Allen. Tickets are \$10 - and include a boxed lunch. The program will run from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

The second panel discussion, on October 21 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. at the Elon University School of Law, will address economic development, specifically exploring the obstacles to growth and the type of leadership necessary to move our community and economy forward. Panelists will be Greensboro Economic Development Alliance President, Dan Lynch, Dr. G. Donald Jud, Professor Emeritus of Finance at the UNCG Bryan School of Business, and Professor Faith Rivers James from Elon University School of Law. Tickets are \$10, and will include a boxed lunch.

The final event, on October 28 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., will be a Candidate's Forum at the Greensboro Historical Museum. Young professionals will have the opportunity to hear from the candidates for Greensboro City Council at this free forum. The forum will also be streamed live online and online guests will be able to submit questions through Twitter. Registration is required.

"synerG interest in local government and the upcoming election is a positive sign that our community's newest leaders are fully engaged and participating in the political process.," commented Action Greensboro Executive Director April Harris. "And the partnership with Elon University School of Law demonstrates their commitment to the importance of higher education to our greater community."

To learn more, visit www.synerg.org and look for the event tab. To register, email Cecelia Thompson at cthompson@actiongreensboro.org.

synerG, under the umbrella of Action Greensboro, is an active organization of young adults who lead initiatives with the mission to attract, engage and connect Young Professionals in Greensboro. Action Greensboro is a member of the Greensboro Partnership, united with the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce and Greensboro Economic Development Alliance to create a growing economy and vibrant quality of life. Learn more about synerG at www.synerg.org.

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