

May 2- Time For Change Symposium Marlin & East Waco

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Greetings, hopefully you've heard of the exciting news regarding LaDainian Tomlinson's (RB San Diego Chargers) mother Loreane Tomlinson and Empowerment Driven by Knowledge Coalition partnering together to bring:

Marlin & East Waco Communities in Transition - A Time for Change Symposium

This event will be taking place as the first of many that will encompass the true nature of 'It takes a village to raise a child'. We are all in this life together and we want to make sure that our communities are stimulated and motivated to produce leaders, homeowners, entrepreneurs and educators.

During our symposium we'll be focusing on 4 keys areas within Marlin & East Waco:

EDUCATION - EMPLOYMENT - RECREATION - SOCIAL

Within those four areas we want to highlight and discuss community projects that are already established or in the works so we can collectively develop a plan of action to complete or continue toward a successful end. We often hear the community cry out about what's not happening however there are several organizations and citizens that are working diligently within their communities. We want to bring those projects into the media and business community light so we can get volunteers committed and financial commitments that will enable them to continue or be completed.

SYMPOSIUM EVENT DETAILS

Hosted by: LaDainian Tomlinson's (Running Back for San Diego Chargers) mother
Loreane Tomlinson and Empowerment Driven by Knowledge Coalition

Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009 ~ Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

Location: Galloway Suites, Floyd Casey Stadium Baylor University Waco Texas

Concept: To invite prominent citizens, influential businesses, community leaders and educators to gather together and develop, pledge, and execute a tangible plan of action for Falls County and East Waco. Present case study of Branson Missouri and their overwhelming success that resulted in a handful of citizens getting together and, one project at a time, rebuilding their community to one of the most sought after communities in the United States. We want to create an increased opportunity for entrepreneurship's and employment to be able to retain talent and grow city revenue and population.

Far Reaching Effects: Falls County and East Waco affects over 24,000 people with over 40% of population living at or below the poverty line. Marlin and East Waco are in a steady decline; however a rise in population continues due to increase teen pregnancy. There are increasing rates of incarceration due to many factors: lack of male role models, limited employment opportunities, and few educational opportunities.

Projects that will be presented:

- Bibleway Family Life Center / Sports Recreational Center - Marlin, Texas
- Elite Sports - Marlin, Texas / Odell James Camp - Waco, Texas
- Living Word Life Center/ Daycare Academy - East Waco, Texas
- Potential - Quinn Campus, Inc. African American Museum - East Waco, Texas

Desired Results: Walk away with tangible completion plans of action for these projects, volunteers, in-kind and financial commitments.

Symposium: Will encompass general presentation of four projects, break out groups based upon expertise and position within the community to develop a tangible plan of action and aid, lunch and commitment session. - **FREE**

Sponsorships for the event are available: Presenting Sponsor: **\$5,000**

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