

Keynote Speakers



Donna J. Gambrell

The CDFI Fund is poised for the greatest expansion in its history, with as much as \$400 million available over the next 18 months, and CDFI Fund Director Donna J. Gambrell has played the leading role in the Fund's high profile within the Obama Administration. Having previously served as Deputy Director of Consumer Protection and Community Affairs in the Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, she led various initiatives related to reaching underserved populations; providing guidance to consumers on issues such as subprime and predatory lending; and increasing the public's understanding of and confidence in the financial system. With her vast experience working on financial issues as well as in community development, Gambrell is uniquely qualified to lead the Treasury Department's community development efforts. Coupled with the record-high appropriations on the horizon, the CDFI Fund will be a major engine for economic recovery; and whether your credit union is CDFI-certified or not, this session is a must see!



Errol T. Louis

As a regular guest on Lou Dobbs and other CNN programs, national television audiences heard Errol Louis' political analysis throughout the recent presidential campaign. Mr. Louis is a twice-weekly columnist for the nation's largest circulation newspaper, the New York Daily News, and hosts the Morning Show on radio station AM 1600 WWRL, one of New York City's liveliest weekday political talk shows. A former CDCU organizer and Federation Program Officer, Mr. Louis, is highly knowledgeable about issues affecting low-income people and communities. Coupled with his insight into the political process, this session is not to be missed!



Ellen Seidman

Ellen Seidman is one of the most thoughtful and provocative speakers on the financial system, speaking from a unique perspective with extensive experience in community development and government. Seidman currently serves as senior policy adviser for ShoreBank, the nation's leading community development bank, and is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Center for Financial Services Innovation, which helps financial services providers serve underbanked consumers. Seidman's government experience is equally impressive, having served as the former Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Senior Counsel to the Democratic staff of the House Financial Services Committee, Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Special Assistant on Economic Policy to President Clinton.