

**Kent County Economic Summit: Building a Better Community**  
**Delaware Technical & Community College, Terry Campus Conference Center**  
**Thursday, November 18**

- 7:15 a.m. Registration, Networking, and Breakfast sponsored by Delaware Electric Cooperative**
- 8:00-8:10 Opening Video and Opening Remarks**  
*Daniel L. Simpson, Vice President and Campus Director, Delaware Technical & Community College, Terry Campus*
- 8:10-9:15 Engines of Economic Growth Part I**  
**Educational Institutions as Economic Drivers:**  
*Dr. Orlando J. George, President, Delaware Technical and Community College*  
*Dr. William N. Johnston, President, Wesley College*  
*Dr. Jack P. Varsalona, President, Wilmington University*  
*Dr. Harry L. Williams, President, Delaware State University*
- 9:15-9:25 Break**
- 9:25-10:20 Where the Jobs Are**  
*Honorable Alan B. Levin, Director, Delaware Economic Development Office*  
*Honorable John McMahon, Secretary of Labor, State of Delaware*
- 10:20 -10:55 Economic Outlook For Kent County**  
*Edward Ratledge, Director, Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research, University of Delaware*
- 10:55-11:05 Break**
- 11:05-12:00 Energy and Utilities Panel**  
*Phillip Cherry, Policy Director, DNREC; Ron Lunt, Public Utilities Director, City of Dover; Jerry Esposito, President, Tidewater Utilities; Gary D. Cripps, CFO, VP Information Technology & HR, Delaware Electric Cooperative; Steve Thompson, Senior VP, Chesapeake Utilities*
- 12:00-1:10 Lunch Speaker: Honorable Carolann Wicks, Secretary, Delaware Department of Transportation**  
Introduced by the Honorable Carleton E. Carey, Sr., Mayor, City of Dover
- 1:10-2:10 Initiatives and Incentives:**  
**Creating a Positive Climate for Enterprise Development and Job Creation in Kent County Panel:**  
*Michael J. Petit de Mange, County Administrator; Juanita Wiczorek, Executive Director; Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization Daniel Wolfensberger, CEO, Kent Economic Partnership; Jayne Armstrong, District Director, SBA; Judy Diogo, President, Central Delaware Chamber of Commerce; Bill Neaton, Economic Development Manager, City of Dover; Anthony DePrima, City Manager, City of Dover; Joe Zilcosky, Business Development Leader, Kent County, Delaware Economic Development Office*
- 2:10- 3:00 Engines of Economic Growth Part II**  
**Growth Sectors Panel:**  
**In-Bound Travel and Tourism,** *Cynthia Small, Director, Kent County and Greater Dover Convention and Visitor Bureau; Linda Parkowski, Director, Delaware Tourism Office*  
**Gaming,** *Ed Sutor, President, Dover Downs*  
**Rural Development,** *Jack Tarburton, USDA, State Director*  
**Dover Air Force Base Update,** TBA  
**Healthcare,** *Terry Murphy, Chief Executive Officer, BayHealth Medical Center*
- 3:00-3:30 Networking Reception**