

COMMON GROUND

UND STUDENTS ARE INVITED

*to a Community-University Learning Forum
Downtown Grand Forks, Saturday, April 16, 2016*

Get involved where you live. Bring your passion for what you study, and put your knowledge to work for the community. Join residents to discuss who we are as a community and what we want to be.

GOOD TO KNOW

- It's free! Register on-site or in advance
- Network for jobs & internships
- Meet city officials and leaders
- Receive lunch discounts and coupons
- Register to win a door prize
- Free shuttle service from UND!
- Bring a clicker if you have one
- Talk about the issues you care about
- Interact with local residents
- Enjoy free comedy improv

SCHEDULE

- 8 - 9 a.m. Shuttle service from UND every half hour, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Memorial Union to Empire Arts Center (415 DeMers Avenue downtown). Free On-Site Registration (Empire Arts Center); pre-registration is encouraged at www.communityengagement.und.edu
- 9 - 10:15 a.m. Welcome by Grand Forks Mayor Michael Brown. Opening Session "Who are we, and what kind of community do we want to become? (Empire Arts)
An open mike session with opportunities to weigh in with your votes after hearing from discussion primers UND Geography Professor Douglas Munski, United Way President Pat Berger, and Community Foundation President Kristi Mishler
- 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Breakout Sessions: Issues Affecting Grand Forks (Empire Arts Center and Downtown Locations)
- *Population*: Who lives in Grand Forks, and how is that changing?
 - *Economics*: What jobs are available here, and what other economic opportunities do we need?
 - *Social Issues*: What struggles do people have, and what would they like to do about them?
 - *Retention of UND Graduates*: What motivates students to stay, and what's available for them?
 - *Environment & Natural Resources*: Are we taking care of them, and is GF a "Sustainable City"?
 - *History*: Are we preserving our past, and how does our past affect our future?
 - *Neighborhoods*: Where do people live, and what support do our neighborhoods need?
 - *Arts & Education*: How do these contribute to who we are, and how we imagine change?
 - *Communication*: How do people communicate here, and how would we like to communicate?
 - *Politics*: How do things get done here, and are there ways to make improvements?
- 12 - 12:45 p.m. Lunch on your own (Downtown Locations). Look for coupons in the registration packet
- 1 - 2 p.m. Improv Comedy Troupe: "What did we just say?" (Empire Arts Center)



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