Annual Conference on
New Frontiers in Poverty Research
May 19, 2016 – New York City

Conference Agenda

12:30 – 1:00pm  Networking Lunch

1:00 – 1:15pm  Welcome and Introductions
Christopher Wimer, Co-Director, Center on Poverty and Social Policy, Columbia University

1:15 – 2:30pm  Session One: Harnessing the Robin Hood Poverty Tracker to Understand New Dimensions of Poverty in New York City
Session Chair: Michael Weinstein, Robin Hood Foundation

Panelists:
The Robin Hood Poverty Tracker: What Do Two Years of Longitudinal Data Tell Us?”
Christopher Wimer, Columbia University

“Why Don’t New Yorkers Facing Poverty and Hardship Seek Help for Problems”
Vicki Lens, Columbia University

“Using the Poverty Tracker to Understand Intensity of Food Hardship in NYC Neighborhoods”
Lorenzo Almada, Columbia University

“Global Measures of Wellbeing in New York City: Toward an Approach at Monetizing Factors that Contribute to Wellbeing”
Sophie Collyer, Columbia University

2:30 – 3:00pm  Break
2:45 – 4:00pm  **Session Two: New Approaches in the Fight Against Child Poverty**  
Session Chair: Michael Laracy, The Annie E. Casey Foundation

Panelists:
“Conditional Cash Transfers and the Future of CCTs in Tackling Child Poverty in the United States”
James Riccio, MDRC

“Testing the Impact of Income Supplements for Families with Young Children”
Kim Noble, Columbia University

Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University

“Room to Grow: An Innovative Model to Reduce Child Poverty Using a Mix of Parenting and Income Support”
Allyson Crawford, Room to Grow

4:00 - 4:15pm  Break

4:15 - 5:15pm  **Keynote Discussion: Where to Go Next**  
A conversation with Christopher S. Jencks and Sheldon Danziger on big picture directions for future research and policy on the problem of poverty.
Moderator: Irwin Garfinkel, Co-Director, Center on Poverty and Social Policy, Columbia University

Speakers:
Sheldon Danziger, Russell Sage Foundation
Christopher S. Jencks, Harvard Kennedy School

5:15 - 6:30pm  Reception