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Presentation & Discussion

HOMELESSNESS: A NATIONAL ISSUE; A LOCAL REALITY

While not as acute a community crisis as in cities like Boston — as shared by Dr. James O'Connell, the University's 2018 Ignatian Values in Action lecture speaker — homelessness does exist in Scranton and the human reality has become more visible than in years past. As of 2018, 159 persons in Scranton/Lackawanna County are experiencing homelessness, whether living in a place not meant for habitation, emergency shelter, transitional housing, or exiting an institution where they temporarily resided. Needs for supportive housing, mental health services, and resources to overcome drug and alcohol addiction are integrally connected. As Scranton continues to make progress with economic revitalization efforts, how to respond with compassion and in ways that address root causes is critical. This seminar will provide perspectives from local service providers and also explore possibilities for further community-wide collaboration.

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SCRANTON THE ELECTRIC CITY

PRESENTERS:

Rev. Darian Banks

Pastor of Bethel A.M.E. Church

Shannon Quinn-Sheeran

Consultant, Housing Innovations & to Scranton's Continuum of Care

Krista Somers

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DATE:
Monday, November 12, 2018
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Lunch provided

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Rose Room, 5th Floor, Brennan Hall