

# ***Leading the Heart of the Community In Changing Times***

## **Fact Sheet**

### **Program Goals**

- Equip Recreation and Parks professionals with solid relevant tools to assist them in taking on the community and departmental challenges they face today.
- Offer a cost effective way to provide world class training to all levels of recreation and parks departments regardless of size or location.
- Act as a platform for a national “dynamic exchange” of information that we allow for the sharing of leading edge practices, ideas and concepts, thereby providing the opportunity for exponential improvement in departments and communities across the country.
- Create an attitudinal shift in the way the profession is viewed by those outside of the profession by equipping those in the profession with the tools to lead a grassroots attitudinal shift campaign.

### **Program Components**

- Program will be delivered via live video streaming via the internet
  - Six sessions of 1 hour in length
    - November 13, December 11, February 12, April 9, May 14, and the Conference Session will be September 2<sup>nd</sup>(Virginia participants the last session is TBD)
  - Video emails to reinforce the learning’s and keep the momentum in the off months.
    - Delivered directly to participants email in-box.
    - January, March, June, July
  - All sessions archived via password protected portal and available on-demand.
  - On-line forum to connect the participants from across the country encouraging them to share best practice, concepts, solutions and creating an opportunity to extend the learning.
  - All materials in electronic format for easy download and use.

### **Who is served**

Recreation, Park and Community Service front line, mid level and Director level practitioners.

### **How to Use**

The program can be used by both Departments and individuals alike

- Departments:
  - LTHC can act as the overarching professional development strategy for year.
  - It can be used to create common language and mission.
  - Staff can watch the live broadcasts in groups by projecting the stream via LCD project onto a screen or wall and then “debrief” the information together.
  - Staff can watch the broadcasts live or on-demand individually and then the information can be reviewed by the team in the next staff meeting or team gathering.
- Individuals
  - LTHC can act at the personal development plan for those who desire to go to the next level.
  - It provides a framework for growth and a built in support system for the individual who is lacking a group situation for dialogue and sharing.
  - The individual can participate in the live broadcasts as their schedule allows or on-demand if they have other commitments at the broadcast times.

## Technical needs

1. What you need for **INDIVIDUAL** viewing:

- \* PC/Lap Top
- \* High speed internet connection
- \* Windows media player (download for free at)

<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/player/10/default.aspx>

- \* Working speakers

2. What you need for **GROUP** viewing:

- \* Meeting room (office, conference room/meeting room)
- \* High speed internet connection
- \* PC/Laptop computer
- \* Windows media player (download for free at)

<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/player/10/default.aspx>

- \* LCD projector
- \* Projection wall or screen
- \* Working external speakers

## About Ian Hill

Humanitarian, Social Entrepreneur, Business Leader, and Award Winning Philanthropist, these are some of the monikers that often used when referring to Ian Hill.

Ian is also one of North America's foremost advocates for the Recreation and Park profession, this recognized Humanitarian and Award Winning Philanthropist has a very unique perspective on what we do every day and is one of only a hand full of individuals that has been the keynote speaker for both the National Recreation and Parks Association and the Canadian Park Recreation Association national conferences.

Ian's latest humanitarian project is Let Them Be Kids, a first of its kind initiative to build community capacity while building playgrounds in areas of extreme need. LTBK has completed over 60 community improvement projects in the last three years.

He has been recognized for his commitment to positive change by the National Council for Community and Justice and the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, which both named him Humanitarian of the Year. The Stand for Children Organization named Ian its Child Advocate of the Year, and *The World Leisure Congress* named *Let Them Be Kids* one of the four most innovative social leisure programs in the world.