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United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County host Community Forum on Reforms to Wisconsin's Expungement System

March 6, 2019 – **MILWAUKEE** – On Friday, March 15, United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County's Diversity Leadership Society and Policy Committee are hosting a community forum to highlight new, bipartisan legislation that aims to reform Wisconsin's expungement system.

The community forum will host a panel discussion featuring Senator Alberta Darling and State Representative Evan Goyke about their bipartisan expungement reform legislation, Shanyiell McCloud, Founder of Milwaukee Clean Slate Expungement Program, Frederick Anderson, President and CEO of Wenthe-Davidson Engineering Co., and will be moderated by Christopher Rowland, Global Diversity Officer at ManpowerGroup.

United Way's Public Policy Committee supports the Diversity Leadership Society by advocating for policies that reduce barriers to employment at the local, state, and federal levels. In September of 2018, the Diversity Leadership Society <u>announced a new signature initiative</u> aimed at reducing barriers to employment and advancement for local, diverse individuals. The overarching goal of the initiative is to reduce unemployment among African Americans in the region by 15 percent by 2025.

"It is imperative that the Diversity Leadership Society plays the lead role in advocating for expungement of records for non-violent offenders," said Jasmine Johnson, Director, Supplier Diversity – North America at ManpowerGroup and a co-chair of United Way's Diversity Leadership Society. "From barriers to employment to the right to vote, both are critical components to advancing our community and economy."

The Diversity Leadership Society & Policy Committee Community Forum will be held at United Way's Johnson Controls Volunteer Center located at 200 W. Pleasant St., Milwaukee, WI 53212. This event is free and open to the public but reservations are required as seats are limited. For more information, visit United Way's website at

https://www.unitedwaygmwc.org/Calendar/Diversity-Leadership-Society-Policy-Committee-Community-Forum or contact Samantha Mitchell at 414.263.8202.

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