



# The United States Conference of Mayors

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## OVER 250 MAYORS WILL GATHER IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL IN THE MIDST OF AN HISTORIC PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURAL TO DISCUSS CLIMATE PROTECTION, THE RISING UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND THE MAYORS' MAINSTREET READY-TO-GO PROJECTS REPORT

### *77<sup>th</sup> Winter Meeting of the United States Conference of Mayors January 17 - 19, 2009 – Washington, D.C.*

Washington, D.C. – In the midst of an historic Presidential Inauguration, **more than 250 of the nation's mayors**, led by U.S. Conference of Mayors President Miami, FL, Mayor Manny Diaz, will convene for the 77<sup>th</sup> Winter Meeting of The U.S. Conference of Mayors on **Saturday, January 17-Monday, January 19, at the Capital Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C.**

Highlighting the three-day session will be the release of the latest in a series of MainStreet Ready-to-Go Projects Reports, which inventories infrastructure projects from cities around the country that could create jobs quickly and improve the basic infrastructure of cities and metropolitan regions with federal investment. Mayors will also release a report that forecasts possible job losses for 2009 by the 363 individual metropolitan economies, where 85% of the people in this country live, which includes some areas that may not see any new job growth for an entire decade.

Confirmed speakers include: President Bill Clinton, AK Senator Mark Begich, Senate Banking Committee Chair Chris Dodd, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Oberstar (MN), House Financial Services Committee Barney Frank (MS), House Ways and Means Subcommittee Chair Jim McDermott (WA), Incoming White House Chief of Staff Raum Emmanuel, Incoming White House Senior Advisor Valerie Jarrett, Incoming White House Intergov. Affairs Director Cecilia Munoz, Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels, NYC Mayor Bloomberg, Chicago Mayor Richard Daley, LA Mayor Villaraigosa, Providence, RI Mayor David Cicilline, Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hannemann, Washington, D.C. Mayor Adrian Fenty, Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert, Charleston Mayor Joe Riley, Oklahoma City Mick Cornett, Phoenix Mayor Phil Gordon, Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman, National Urban League President and CEO Marc Morial, T. Boone Pickens, George Soros of the Open Society Institute and Dr. Ian Smith of the 50 Million Pound Challenge.

All press **MUST** register to attend the meeting. For online registration and the list of pre-registered Mayors, please go to [www.usmayors.org](http://www.usmayors.org) where a DRAFT AGENDA is posted. On-site registration will also be available with the proper press credentials at the Capital Hilton Hotel Upper Lobby.

**WHO:** Miami, FL Mayor Manny Diaz, President, USCM  
Tom Cochran, CEO and Executive Director, USCM  
Over 250 of the Nation's Mayors

**WHAT:** Opening Press Conference and Release of the Ready-to-Go Jobs Report

**WHEN:** Saturday, January 17, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Capitol Hilton Hotel – Presidential Ball Room Foyer  
1001 16th Street NW -- Washington, D.C. 20036