**Silberman Aging’s 5th Annual Conference:  *Cultural Intersections of Aging and Social Justice*Friday, May 3rd, 2019**

**Request for Presentation Proposals**

Silberman Aging, a Hartford Center of Excellence in Diverse Aging, invites community-based partners to submit proposals to present at this year’s Annual Conference.
 *Proposals due March 28, 2019*

Cost: **FREE\***

Time: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Location: Silberman School of Social Work (2180 Third Avenue at 119th Street)

Purpose: The Silberman Aging Conference serves to promote the health and wellbeing of underserved and underrepresented older adults and their families through community-engaged education, and provide learning and networking opportunities for community partners serving older adults.

Participants: All are welcome to attend - service providers, administrators, policymakers, older adults, and family caregivers. The primary audience for presentations will be professionals in the field of aging

**2019 Theme: Cultural Intersections of Aging and Social Justice**Improving the health and quality of life of older adults calls upon each of us to advocate for social justice in all spheres: universal access to meaningful work and economic security, housing, food security, quality health care, and freedom from oppression based on age, race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, ability, faith, nationality and national origin. This year’s conference offers an opportunity to share the work we do with individuals, families, and communities, and to highlight the ways we promote equity and age justice for an increasingly diverse and aging population.

Silberman Aging is seeking proposals from community-based organizations to present on at topic that engages the theme of cultural intersections and social justice in the field of aging. The planning committee is looking for presenters to go beyond simply describing a program. Proposals will be evaluated on their potential to open a dialogue that can tap the strengths and challenges of older adults living in New York in order to imagine innovative ways to support elders, caregivers, and service providers.

**Proposal Application Procedures**

**Proposals are due by midnight on Thursday, March 28, 2019**

Applicants will submit the following information at [Proposal Submission Form 2019](https://cunyhunter.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ab17jaUO0SdoukB)

* Presentation/Presenter Information
	+ Presentation Title
	+ Format of Presentation
	+ Names and Positions of Presenter(s)
	+ Names of collaborating agency/ies and descriptions of collaboration *(if applicable)*
	+ Contact information (phone number, email address, mailing address)
* Abstract of approximately 250-300 words with up to learning objectives

**The Conference Planning Committee (CPC) will notify applicants of its decisions the week of Monday, April 8st, 2019.** If selected, presenters must provide:

* A photo and short biography for use in the conference program
* A curriculum vitae or resume\* that includes:
	+ Name
	+ Current Employment Title
	+ Degree(s) Earned, with Name and Location of Institutions, Major, and Date Received
	+ Licensure Status (if applicable)
	+ Teaching Experience
	+ Previous Professional Positions

**Review Process**

The Review Committee, comprised of Silberman Aging faculty and staff and Conference Planning Committee members, will consider the following areas in evaluating proposals:

* The compatibility of the proposed presentation with the theme of the conference.
* The significance, impact, and established or expected benefit of the innovative practice, research, policy, training or advocacy work including: a) the relevance and significance of the work to diverse, under-represented elders; b) existing data or plan to gather data on the impact of the innovative practice, research, policy, training or advocacy work c) the potential of the work to advance knowledge and to effect changes in practice and policy affecting older adults, their families and communities.
* The conceptual and technical merits of the innovative practice, research, policy, training or advocacy work. This includes: a) the clarity and soundness of the conceptualization supporting the practice, research, policy, training or advocacy work b) a plan for evaluating the impact of the work.

**Technical Assistance**

Technical assistance is available for all organizations interested in submitting a proposal in response to the RFP. All applicants whose proposals are selected for presentation will also be offered technical assistance to ensure consistency and quality of presentations. Please contact Albert Bencosme, aging@hunter.cuny.edu, MSW Student Intern or Nancy Giunta, ngiunta@hunter.cuny.edu, Program Director, if you have any additional questions.