

*The Western Mass. Training Group & The SRV Implementation Project
are pleased to announce a workshop entitled*

The Human Service Worker As Social Justice Activist

*Thursday, April 24th, 2008 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm (check-in starting at 9 am)
in Room KC 226 at the Kittredge Center, Holyoke Community College, 303 Homestead
Avenue, Holyoke, MA 01040*

Workshop description. Oppressed groups are commonly denied access to community life & are treated unjustly. Service workers can & should strive to build a more just society & welcoming community for such socially devalued groups & individuals. This workshop will explore the why's & how's of this critical issue. This presentation includes brief lectures, stories & examples, question & discussion periods, reflection questions for the audience, & a bibliography of further readings.

Topics discussed include:

- why this is an important topic
- concept of social justice
- connections between service & social justice
- review of social injustice & oppression
- principles or pillars of social justice
- likely fruits of efforts to build social justice

Cost. \$45 (includes light refreshments & handouts). Take advantage of the group discount: buy 5 tuitions & send 6 people. Please send your name & address, plus check made out to **Western Mass. Training Group**, to: *Betsy Grim, Community Options, PO Box 1352, Belchertown, MA 01007.*

Accommodations. If requesting a specific accommodation, let the contact person Jim Brunault (413.788.6981) know the nature of your request by March 24, 2008.

REGISTRATION: Service Worker as Social Justice Activist 4/24/08

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About the presenter. Marc Tumeinski is the Training Coordinator for the *Social Role Valorization Implementation Project* in Worcester. He has taught workshops, spoken at conferences, & conducted program evaluations in the US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand & the Netherlands, all based on the work of Dr. Wolfensberger of Syracuse University. As a service worker, he has supported children & adults with physical & intellectual impairments at home, school & work. Marc & his wife Jo Massarelli offer hospitality in their home to poor & homeless people.

For more information or directions. Contact Jim Brunault at 413.788.6981. For more about Social Role Valorization, visit the website www.srvip.org

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