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Jonesboro poverty subject of Thursday event

Youth Move Arkansas, The City of Jonesboro and the North Jonesboro Neighborhood Initiative will sponsor a community forum at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 9, titled "Eliminating Poverty in Jonesboro."

Guest presenter is Dr. Marcella Wilson, who has been recognized nationally for her work in alleviating poverty in cities across the country.

"The poor see a different Jonesboro than those with successful jobs and healthy paychecks, and I want to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to create their own success in our city," Mayor Harold Perrin said. "Youth Move Arkansas and NJNI are making a difference, and partnering with them is a good way to serve Jonesboro."

The event will be held at the E. Boone Watson Center, 1005 Logan Street in Jonesboro.

"We believe the evening will begin to change the way we view and address poverty in Jonesboro," said City Community Services Manager Emma Agnew, the event coordinator. Seating is limited, so call Agnew to reserve a seat at 870-336-7210, or send her an email at eagnew@jonesboro.org.

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