Purpose:
Share information on the current use of the Earned Income Tax Credit and present models that promote savings and preserve assets in low- and moderate-income communities during tax time.

9:00 AM  Welcome

9:10 AM  Earned Income Tax Credit: The National, State and Local Picture
         National Perspective on EITC
         Elizabeth Kneebone, Brookings Institution

         EITC in New York State
         Alexandra Forter Sirota, Office of Regional and Community Affairs

         Local Campaigns
         Mary Shaheen, United Way of New York State

10:00 AM  Linking Asset Building to EITC
         Saving Refunds: The Savings Bond Pilot
         Preeti Mehta, D2D Fund

         Alternatives to Refund Anticipation Loans
         Deirdre Silverman, Alternatives Federal Credit Union

         Access to Banking and Financial Education
         Rita Eygabroad, CASH Coalition of Rochester, New York

11:00 AM  Q & A

11:30  Statewide Strategies and Resources:
A Discussion Facilitated by United Way of New York State

11:50  Next Steps

12:00  Networking Lunch