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**Delaware County Community College Invites the Community to Its First Diversity Dialogue**

**Hosted by the College's New Center for Equity and Social Justice**

**(Delaware and Chester Counties, PA)**—Delaware County Community College's new Center for Equity and Social Justice will hold the first in a series of "Dialogues in Diversity" on Tuesday, July 28, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The topic of the first dialogue will be "Policing and Our Communities". Speakers scheduled to participate include Mr. Jack Stollsteimer, Delaware County District Attorney; Chief Anthony Paparo, Yeadon Police Department; Dr. Merrill Irving, Jr., President, Hennepin Technical College; and Wayne E. Croft, Sr., D.Min., Ph.D., Pastor, St. Paul's Baptist Church of West Chester, PA.

"The recent incidents of police abusing those they have sworn to protect has created outrage throughout our country," said Dr. Gates Black, President of the College. "This dialogue will be an opportunity to hear from local officers and community leaders as they discuss issues and concerns from multiple perspectives. Additionally, the dialogue will also allow for an open question-and-answer session with our panelists. It is so important that our local law enforcement hear the voices of the people of Delaware and Chester counties."

The College's newly created Center for Equity and Social Justice is designed to encourage courageous, respectful community conversations about the sensitive, often controversial issues of racism and social injustice. The Center falls under the purview of the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the dialogue will take place on the Zoom social media platform. The event is free and open to the public. **To pre-register, go to [dccc.edu/dialogues](https://dccc.edu/dialogues).**

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