

## CONGRESSMAN DAVIS TO SPEAK ON CBCF PANEL ON POVERTY IN THE U.S.

WASHINGTON, DC (FEBRUARY 28, 2012) - CONGRESSMAN DANNY K. DAVIS joins the congressional black caucus foundation, member of congress and national foundations on fighting poverty in honor of black history month

On Wednesday, February 29, 2012, the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation in conjunction with Casey Family Programs, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Open Society Foundations and Members of Congress will hosts a panel weighing the causes and effects of poverty on the community. In 2010, 46.2 million people were counted as poor under the "official" U.S. poverty definition which is the largest number recorded in the measure's 52-year history.

Congressman Davis will serve as the Honorable Host for the panel discussion. Davis stated, "Poverty is not new in America or any place world-wide; however, we must work to reduce and eliminate poverty by increasing opportunities for those at or below the poverty level".

Brookings Institution researchers (Monea and Sawhill) project that the U.S. poverty rate will not return to pre-recession levels over the course of this decade. The panel will discuss recent data on poverty trends and offer solutions to reducing poverty. For more information and for poverty data click [here](#).