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Presented by the Westside Future Fund

Friday, July 20, 2018

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Agenda

7:15 AM — 7:20 AM	Welcome	John Ahmann Executive Director Westside Future Fund
7:20 AM — 7:35 AM	Opening Devotion	Henry Charles Plumber Historic Westside Community Member Customer Service Team, Vine City Chick-fil-A
7:35 AM — 8:00 AM	Introductions & Announcements	John Ahmann
8:00 AM — 8:55 AM	Featured Presentation	John Barrow Founder, A Better Way Ministries
	Q&A	Panel: Brian Arnold Quinton Bush Chris Geiger Devonta Harris Marvell Jackson Briant McElderry Andrew Patterson Jacob Webb
9:00 AM	Meeting Adjourns	

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Speaker Bio

John Barrow, Founder, A Better Way Ministries

John Barrow founded A Better Way Ministries to help men in prison defeat their life-controlling challenges and find a better way to live and serve their communities. He knows what they're going through from personal experience.

John was barely a teen when he vowed to change everything, sobbing himself to sleep in a detention center. What landed him there was a life of drugs, alcohol, sex and robbery. He had left an unstable home, quit school and didn't care about anyone. When a former gang leader visited the group and told him Jesus loved him, John wanted to change. "That night the Lord placed a seal on me that would never be removed," he said.

He entered a program to begin his rehabilitation. A promising start was followed by a big slip, rehab and time in the military. He robbed and sold drugs while failing at several marriages and fatherhood in between prison sentences. Again and again he landed in solitary confinement. He finally opened the Bible and healed.

Today, he is married to his wife of 27 years, has five children, grandchildren, an income and a rare pardon from the Department of Corrections. He is an ordained minister, serves as a chaplain for the prison system and founded A Better Way Ministries.

The organization is a place of refuge where hard men can experience the love of God and the healing power of the Holy Spirit. A Better Way helps them find their footing to build a foundation that will not crumble the next time it is tested. The ministry helps them find a place where they can learn that their default button is not alcohol, drugs, or anything else other than the Bible and prayer. Through A Better Way, John and his team work to prepare these men to change themselves and change the world.

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