



*Thursday, September 16, 2010  
Ramada Lansing Hotel & Conference Center  
Lansing, Michigan*

# MI RESPONSE TO HATE:

A CONFERENCE PRESENTED BY THE MICHIGAN ALLIANCE AGAINST HATE CRIMES  
AND  
THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS

Although Michigan's prominence has fallen to fourth place, behind California, New Jersey, and New York on the FBI's annual hate crime report, Michigan retains a high second in the rate per capita of reported hate crimes. Meanwhile, Michigan's organized hate groups jumped to 26 from a 2009 low of 23.

**When you factor in the spike in non-criminal bias incidents, hostility toward immigrant groups, bullying in schools, and the reemergence of anti-government groups, one has to wonder what can we do?**

Criminal incidents motivated by bias against race, religion, national origin/ethnicity, sexual orientation, and disability are on the rise across the country. This conference will provide a structured opportunity for Michigan to develop community-based response systems and address the needs of our communities and victims of bias motivated incidents.

## REGISTRATION NOW OPEN:

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WATCH <http://www.miaahc.com/mrh2010.aspx> for more details soon!

*This conference is provided at no cost to registered participants. Free parking is also provided.*

*Funding provided by the U.S. Attorneys Offices for the Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan.*

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Legal & Judicial Community; Crisis Responders & Counselors; Diversity Trainers; Educators & School Administrators; Civil Rights Organizations & Advocates; American Indian Tribal Leaders; Faith-Based Leaders; Healthcare Professionals/Emergency Providers; Law Enforcement Professionals; Human Relations Commissions; Media; Social Workers & Therapists; Victim Advocates

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Registration  
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM Opening Plenary  
9:45 AM – 11:15 AM Session I  
11:15 AM – 12:45 PM Lunch  
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Session II  
2:45 PM – 4:00 PM Closing Plenary

### WORKSHOPS

*Community Response System Development  
Hate Crime Investigation Strategies  
Responding to Victims of Hate Who Have a Disability  
Responding to LGBT Victims of Hate  
Hues of Hatred: The Anti-Immigrant Ripple Effect*

### SPEAKERS

**Keynote Speaker:** Thomas E. Perez (Invited) – Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division

**Plenary Speaker:** David Schneider - an Investigative Researcher with the Anti-Defamation League

**Closing Plenary:** Frank Meeink – public speaker and author of *Autobiography of a Recovering Skinhead*

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