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## Quick Facts

- The program is designed to discuss the status of economic and personal financial literacy in York County.
- In his keynote address, Jeff Kane, senior vice president in charge of the Charlotte branch of the Federal Reserve Bank, will give the central bank's perspective on economic development.

ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Winthrop University, South Carolina Council on Economic Education and Charlotte Branch, Federal Reserve Bank**, are co-sponsoring an **Economic Summit** on Thursday, Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. The Summit will be held at Withers Hall fourth-floor Conference Room on the Winthrop campus.

The topic for the morning's discussion is **"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE,' OR IS IT?"** The program is designed to discuss the status of economic and personal financial literacy in York County, demonstrate the benefits of teacher training programs, and provide an interactive forum to ask tough questions and begin to develop solutions.

**Rock Hill Mayor Douglas Echols** and **Winthrop President Anthony J. DiGiorgio** will welcome the group and stress the importance of preparing young people to perpetuate economic development in the community. In his keynote address, **Jeff Kane**, senior vice president in charge of the Charlotte branch of the Federal Reserve Bank, will give the central bank's perspective on economic development.

"The summit pulls together business and education opinion leaders and decision makers who are concerned about the high cost of economic illiteracy," said **Helen Meyers**, president of the South Carolina Council on Economic Education. "We need to work together to ensure that students learn an economic way of thinking so that they will be prepared to sustain our state and local economic development plans."

**Dr. Roger Weikle**, Winthrop's dean of the **College of Business Administration**, stated that "economic literacy is the critical link between technical skills and being a successful employee and a successful private citizen. Our region can compete so much more effectively with a population that understands the basics of markets and money. This understanding requires a partnership between business and education."

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