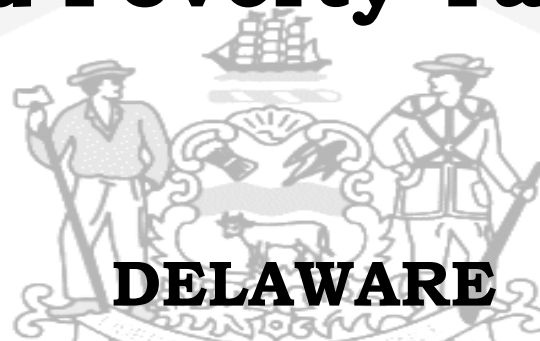


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- ❑ Developments around the Nation
- ❑ Targets as a Tool
- ❑ Tips for Task Forces

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Some developments around the Nation...

## States with Targets

- Connecticut
- Vermont
- Delaware
- Minnesota

## States with Target Legislation - introduced/anticipated

- California: [vetoed/reintroduced]
- Illinois: extreme poverty 2008
- other...

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Some developments around the Nation...

## ❑ National Organizations

- Center for American Progress
- U.S. Catholic Charities/Christian Churches Together/Sojourners
- U.S. Conference of Mayors/National League of Cities
- Community Action Partnership
- Funders: Spotlight on Poverty & Opportunity

## ❑ Congress

- Rep. Barbara Lee/Sen. Ted Kennedy
- hearings

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Some developments around the Nation...

□ In localities...

- New York City: target under development
- Portland Oregon: target 2000 - special initiative
- Savannah: target 25 - special initiative
- Kalamazoo: Chamber
- Providence: 2007 Task Force
- Milwaukee: 2006 Mayoral Forum
- Miami: 2002 Mayoral Initiative

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Some developments around the Nation...

## ☐ Media

**Diane Sawyer Hopes Special Awakens  
American to Poverty at Home**  
ABC February 19, 2007



**\$60 million**  
**April 24-25 2007**



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Some developments around the Nation...

## Polls

- Zogby
- McLaughlin
- Freedman/McLaughlin

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Some developments around the Nation...

## □ Presidential Campaigns

- Edwards' target
- Obama's commitment
- Romney's engagement
- Huckabee's view

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## Targets as a Tool

- Shared
- Simple
- Silo - breakers
- Solution - builders

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- ❑ Tips for Task Forces
  - Collecting Learning
  - Choosing Recommendations
  - Sustaining Political Will