



Hill Briefing

Charter Public Schools: Providing Educational, Economic, and Community Development in Urban America

Tuesday, May 2 at 3:30 p.m.

121 Cannon House Office Building

The National Alliance will host "Charter Public Schools: Providing Educational, Economic, and Community Development in Urban America" to discuss how charter schools can play a vital role in transforming urban areas to support educational achievement and community centered development. Light refreshments will be served. Confirmed panelists include:

Ron Beit, founding partner and CEO of RBH Group, LLC and president of RBH Management, which created **Teachers Village**, a new mixed-use community in Newark, NJ that features three charter schools, a daycare facility, rental housing marketed to teachers, and high-quality retail with more than 20 different businesses.

Dianne Cleaver, the executive director of the **Urban Neighborhood Initiative**, a nonprofit organization established to revitalize neighborhoods in in Kansas City focusing on health and safety, education, and prosperity through collaborative relationships with business, industry, government and community organizations.

Daniel Shoy, the president of the **East Lake Foundation**, an organization that demonstrates that the right combination of mixed-income housing and infrastructure, educational opportunities from cradle to college, and community wellness activities can revitalize a suffering inner-city neighborhood into a safe and vibrant place to live.

Moderator: **Jonathan Harwitz** is the Managing Director of Federal Policy & Government Affairs at the Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF), a community development financial institution (CDFI) that provides innovative capital solutions that support healthy families and communities.