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Better York, YorkCounts host experts **Thursday**

York, Pa., 25 July 2007 – The civic leadership group **Better York** and York County's community-wide quality-of-life initiative **YorkCounts** are sponsors Thursday as experts on strengthening Pennsylvania communities present their findings and conclusions to York County leaders.

The "Briefing on the Health of Pennsylvania's Communities" is scheduled for noon Thursday 26 July at the Yorktowne Hotel, 48 E. Market St., York.

Researchers from the Pennsylvania Economy League, Penn State and the Campaign to Renew Pennsylvania – RenewPA – will speak. A report from the Washington, D.C.-based Brookings Institution will also be available.

Topics to be addressed at Thursday's forum include "Committing to Prosperity," "Strengthening Rural Pennsylvania" and "Structuring Healthy Communities."

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