

COALITION BUILDING FOR OUR CHILDREN



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The Urban Church Network will sponsor this event in collaboration with the Pittsburgh Coalition Against Violence.

For more information or to register contact the Metro-Urban Institute at 412-924-1393, mui@pts.edu or online at www.mui-pts.org.

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