

MODULE THREE 

Sample Agenda: Exploratory Conversation

EVENT NAME: COMMUNITY CONVERSATION—DEVELOPING DIVERSE TALENTS IN OUR COUNTY*

TIME	SECTION FOCUS	LEADER	INTENDED OUTCOME
5:00-5:10 PM	Welcome, introduction of topic, review of group agreements and structure of the conversation	June	Participants are clear about the topic, understand the group agreements, and how the conversation will flow. Participants enjoy refreshments and have a chance to meet one another before the conversation starts.
5:10-5:15 PM	Introduction of Round 1: What kinds of diverse talents does our county need to enhance its quality of life and to prosper?	June, Josh writes question on white board	The first question is revealed for group discussion.
5:15-5:35 PM	Round 1 discussion	Josh keeps time, gives 5 min warning	Participants discuss the first question, take notes at their tables.
5:35-5:40 PM	Introduction of Round 2: What challenges do we face in developing and attracting residents with the talents our county needs?	June, Josh writes question on white board	The second question is revealed for group discussion. Participants are instructed to move to a new table (one person stays put).
5:40-6:00 PM	Round 2 discussion	Josh keeps time, gives 5 min warning	Participants share briefly what they discussed in last round, and then discuss round 2 question.
6:00-6:05 PM	Introduction of Round 3: What can local communities do to become welcoming places where people with different talents can thrive and contribute?	June, Josh writes question on white board	The third and final question is shared. Participants are instructed to move to a new table (the same person stays put).
6:05-6:25 PM	Round 3 discussion	Josh keeps time, gives 5 min warning	Participants share briefly what they discussed in last round, and then discuss round 3 question.
6:25-6:45 PM	Report-outs	June, Josh takes notes on flip chart	Groups report out what they discussed in the final round. Notes are taken.
6:45-7:00 PM	Closing	June	Next steps are outlined, participants are asked to share one final takeaway with their groups.