

ACTIVITY 2: AMPLYING STRATEGIC VISIONING WITHIN THE EAC

EAC Retreat 2024

Overview: In groups of threes create a collective vision, goal and or strategy for amplifying your groups perspectives as it relates to creating shared vision for advancing equity within your community.

Instructions:

- 1. Begin the activity by setting the context for the visioning exercise, emphasizing the importance of creating a collective vision for advancing equity within their specific communities.
- 2. Encourage participants to take a few minutes to reflect on the current state of equity within their communities and envision what success looks like in terms of advancing equity and fostering inclusivity.
- 3. Provide each participant with a blank sheet of paper where they can jot down their thoughts, ideas, and visions for advancing equity within their communities.
- 4. Set a timer for 2 minutes and instruct participants to use this time to envision what it looks like to advance equity within their communities, considering various aspects such as access to resources, representation, social justice, and community engagement.
- 5. Encourage participants to think creatively and expansively, imagining bold and transformative initiatives that can drive positive change and create a more equitable and inclusive community.
- 6. After the 5-minutes visioning period, invite participants to share their thoughts and visions with the group. Encourage open and respectful dialogue, allowing each participant to express their ideas and perspectives.
- 7. Facilitate a discussion around common themes and patterns that emerge from the participants' visions, highlighting key priorities and areas of focus for advancing equity within their communities.
- 8. Encourage participants to identify potential strategies and actions that can help turn their shared vision into reality. Discuss the importance of collaboration, advocacy, and community engagement in driving positive change.
- 9. Encourage participants to document their shared vision and key takeaways from the exercise, either through written notes, to serve as a guiding framework for future discussions and initiatives within the Equity Advisory Committee.