

DEI Working Group

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Introductions & Ice-Breaker

1. What brings you to the table?

2. What is your understanding of DEI in the context of local government?



Themes from Individual Conversations

- 1. Addressing the need for expertise and staff training
- 2. Shifting organizational culture and garnering interdepartmental buy-in
- 3. Improving engagement with residents that are not traditionally included
- 4. Assessing social service gaps for vulnerable residents
- 5. Re-imagining the role of Human Relations Commissions
- 6. Using community data to inform DEI priorities
- 7. Assessing organizational practices such as hiring and recruitment, strategic planning, budgeting, and procurement

Discussion Questions

- 1. What is the biggest challenge in your community related to DEI that you hope to address?
- 2. What would you like to learn from other communities?
- 3. What would you like to walk away from these meetings with?

