

Young-adult Listening Session: Barriers to Public Engagement

Logistics

Outreach

Partners will develop outreach materials, conduct outreach, maintain RSVP, send invitations, HUD will develop presentation materials and facilitation guide as well as facilitate the session. HUD is requesting a diverse set of 12-20 young-adult from different regions, ranging in ages from 18-24, gender, etc. to obtain insights and perspectives from underrepresented groups, from which HUD has historically omitted in the decisions and establishments of programs and policies. Young-adults will NOT be compensated.

Timing

- October 26th, 27th, or the 28th at 7pm ET. The timing is flexible and dependent on the schedule of participants.
- Duration of the session will be 60 minutes

Team makeup

The HUD team will consist of:

- 1 -presenter
- 1 -HUD Senior official
- 2 -co- facilitators (Maria- Lana & Nili)
- 2 -note-takers

Proposed Agenda

Purpose: To obtain insights and perspectives from underrepresented groups, from which HUD has historically omitted in the decisions and establishments of programs and policies.

- I. Welcome/Introductions
- II. Icebreaker Activity (something fun)
- III. Review of HUD's Equity Work - Engagement
 - a. Present Identified Barriers & Promising Practices to Overcome
- IV. Discussion
 - a. Solicit feedback to what we present
 - b. How can HUD better incorporate your views and perspectives?
 - c. What advice and or guidance would you offer us in this process?
- V. Wrap up/Next Steps

Facilitation Prompts

Below are potential facilitation questions and prompts that can be used to aid in opening up the meeting and additional discussion.

Icebreaker Ideas:

- What do you think or know about HUD and what they do?
- What have you heard family or community members say about HUD?

Discussion Prompt Ideas

Solicit feedback and advice on Engagement Strategies at HUD (based on what is presented)

- Do you think it's important for HUD to engage with people in local communities? Why do you feel that way?
- Who should HUD make an extra effort to reach out to? Why do you feel that way?
- What is the best way for HUD to reach out to the people in your community?
- What would make it easier for you or for other people in your community to provide feedback to HUD (when it comes to housing-related services or policies)?
- Are there others you think should be included in conversations like these?

What general advice do you have for HUD?

- If you were Secretary of HUD for a day, what would you do?
- What questions do you have for HUD? (suggestion to have participants submit questions privately, answer a couple of them during the session, and provide responses to participants through email if they were not answered during the session)