**Host Orientation Guide**

**Strengthening Families Protective Factor Framework**

**World Café Model**

**Parent and Community Volunteers**

**Community Partners**

**Council for Children and Families**

**Children’s Trust Foundation**

**Foundation for Early Learning**

**National Alliance of Children’s Trust and Prevention Funds**

**Values & Approaches:**
- Assume ownership & partnership
- Honor and respect culture, leadership
- Everyone comes with the best intention
- Decisions made with compassion
- Appreciative Inquiry
- Rely on local wisdom
- Co-create culture
- Trust the wisdom in the room
- Respect Dissent
- Share gifts
- Participate with heart, mind & spirit
- Arrive curious

**Host meaningful conversations (“cafes”):**
- Invite communities, one individual at a time
- Share a meal and provide welcoming space
- Use stories and rituals
- Conversations drive design, designs drive the conversation
- Bring people together in new combination, for new reasons

**Build partnerships & networks with and among communities, organizations & systems**

**Mentor and nurture leaders to address complex system change**

**Advocate for partnership and meaningful dialogue**

**“Bonding” Social Capital**
- Increased sense of belonging and acceptance of culture (social support)
- Increased community connectedness
- Increased community ownership & accountability

**“Bridging” Social Capital**
- Increased relationships among diverse individuals & groups
- Increased access to support & resources through others (social support)
- Increased value in collective wisdom

**Outcomes**
- Increased community capacity to address issues
- Increased leadership among parents, providers & policymakers
- Increased partnership & dialogue across systems, organizations & communities
- Increased diversity of voice influencing policies and systems (parent voice)
- Increased protective factors among parents & families
- Greater value for parent wisdom & reciprocity in systems & institutions

**Goals**
- More families and children live in safe, stable, healthy and loving households within supportive communities
- More communities support families to live in safe, stable, healthy, loving households so children can thrive
- Policies support beloved communities

**Beloved community based on collective wisdom with and in human systems that foster equality, respect and inclusion**