

Neighbor to Neighbor: Building a Stronger Asylum Hill Community
Participant Handouts
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“Find a New Friend” Ice Breaker

Here is a fun way to meet new people as we wait for the meeting to begin.

1. Write “Hello” on your name tag in your native language. Also write your given (first) name.

For example:

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| ¡Hola | Hello! |
| Rafael | Nancy |

2. Next, find someone you don’t know whose name tag has “hello” written on it in a language other than your own.
 - Say “hello” to them in your native language.
 - If you don’t know how to say hello in the other person’s native language, ask them to teach you.
 - You and your new friend may want to talk about a few other questions. For example:
 - How did you hear about this event?
 - Did any other members of your family or friends come with you? May I meet them?
 - How long have you lived in Hartford? Where did you live before you came here?

Guidelines for our Dialogue

We need to agree about how to help our dialogue work well. Here are some ideas. Are there rules you would like to add? Talk about them.

1. Every voice is equal.
2. Listen to one another. Treat each other with respect.
3. Each person gets a chance to talk.
4. One person talks at a time. Don't cut people off.
5. Speak for yourself. Don't try to speak for "your group."
6. It's OK to disagree. If you feel upset, say so and say why.
7. If you talk about people who are not here, don't say their names.
8. Some of the things we talk about will be very personal. We will not tell these stories to other people, unless we all say it is OK.

Pautas para el Diálogo

Tenemos que ponernos de acuerdo en cómo podemos trabajar como grupo. Estas son algunas ideas. ¿Te gustaría añadir alguna regla? Inclúyela.

1. Todas las opiniones cuentan por igual.
2. Escuchémonos. Trátemonos con respeto.
3. Todos tenemos que tener oportunidad de hablar.
4. Hablar uno a la vez. No interrumpir.
5. Habla por ti. No trates de hablar por “el grupo.”
6. Está bien pensar de forma diferente. Si algo no te agrada, dilo y explica por qué.
7. Si hablas de personas ausentes, no digas sus nombres.
8. Algunas cosas de las que hablaremos serán muy personales. No les contaremos estas cosas a otros, a no ser que todos estemos de acuerdo en que está bien hacerlo.

What skills, hobbies or talents do you have?

Cooking



Braiding hair



Caring for children



Playing music



Construction (carpentry, painting, plumbing)



Arts and crafts



Gardening



Driving a motor vehicle



coaching sports teams

Sewing or knitting



Topics We Identified at our November Event

Let's Work Together to Create ...

- A Safer Neighborhood



- Diverse Small Businesses



- More Opportunities to Learn English or Attend After-School Programs



- Neighborhood Spirit and Pride

