

## Greater Washington Poverty Forum

# Working Groups

### Purpose

Grounded in data and best practices, the Shared Humanity Project Working Groups will implement the National Plan To End Poverty at the local level in communities across the country. Each working group will represent one of ten sectors - Business, Civic Association, Educational Institution, Faith Community, Government Agency, Health Care Provider, Individual, Nonprofit Organization, Lived Experience, or Philanthropic Organization.

Group members will enact sector-specific actions aimed at cultivating positive economic change in their region. Their feedback and implementation process will inform future changes in the National Plan to End Poverty.

### Who is in the working groups?

Leaders and motivated individuals from each sector comprise the ten working groups. Group members are dedicated to ending poverty and improving economic stability in their region.

### What is the time commitment?

Being in a working group is a minimum one-year commitment, including participation in quarterly meetings and a year-end summit with all working groups. Actual time commitment varies by action and partners but should be assumed to be at least 10 hours per month.

### What work is involved?

1. Learn about current approaches to poverty in Greater Washington - what is working, what is not working
2. Identify resources needed to implement new actions within your sector
3. Provide feedback on sections of the National Plan to End Poverty's Action Guide relevant to your sector
4. Increase coordination between sectors and across areas to promote holistic solutions

### How will we accomplish the goals?

1. Working groups will receive guidance as needed by the Shared Humanity Project
2. The work will be informed by lived experience
3. You can use data from the National Plan to End Poverty to target activity
4. Implement at least one action from the National Plan to End Poverty -or- propose and test an alternative action (communicating such with the Shared Humanity Project)
5. Develop a method to measure progress for the chosen action(s)
6. Provide updates about success and failures to the larger group
7. Share your involvement and progress with your networks

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