

# Social Current and APHSA want to hear from you!

The American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) and Social Current are facilitating focus groups with middle management leaders to inform our effort to co-create a cross-sector leadership framework and competencies.

Through the information we learn from these focus groups, we are seeking to change the way we work together and across boundaries within human services. Please join us for this discussion where we hope to gain insight about:

- Current challenges facing today's human services workforce (e.g., talent acquisition/retention, mental health/burnout, fiscal health, etc.)
- Community knowledge pertaining to programs and supports provided by human services agencies
- Addressing and confronting implicit bias
- Driving deeper conversations and strategies on family economic mobility and long-term success
- Using data to tell the story of those participating in services, integrating the voice of the community

No identifying factors will be attributed to participants of this focus group; all information will be aggregated and de-identified.

## Focus Group Logistics

The focus groups will be 90 minutes in length. Facilitators will invite human services professionals to discuss their experiences working in the human services sector and the opportunities to ensure the strengthening of individuals, families, and communities.

## Dates and Times

The dates and times for the proposed focus groups are listed below. All sessions will be virtual; all persons must access the Zoom meeting platform online. Virtual link to be provided for selected registrants.

### Choose One Session:

- April 27, 2023, 4-5:30 p.m. EST
- May 2, 2023, 11a.m.-12:30 p.m. EST
- May 5, 2023, 3-4:30 p.m. EST

## Sign-Up Here

Focus groups are an excellent way for participants to provide direct insight into the future of human services. If you are interested in participating in any (one of three) focus groups, please complete the [registration form](#) no later than **April 21, 2023**. **Space is limited. Please register in advanced.** Only those who have received confirmation can participate in the session.

If you have questions or need further details, please contact Trinka Landry-Bourne at [tlandry-bourne@aphsa.org](mailto:tlandry-bourne@aphsa.org) or Michon Hicks at [mhicks@social-current.org](mailto:mhicks@social-current.org).