INVOLVING ALL AGES STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Strategies for Intergenerational Efforts

INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM PLANNER

Needs/Assets Assessment

- What are the major organizational, community or individual needs you are trying to meet?
- What are the *assets/resources* of the population(s) you serve?
- In what ways could intergenerational strategies help address some of the identified needs?

Anticipated Outcomes

• What outcomes do you want for participants (children, young people, older adults, families), your organization, and/or your community as a result of this intergenerational program/initiative?

Partnerships (External and Internal)

- What organizations, institutions, or agencies in your community might be potential partners? If you serve multiple populations, what internal collaborations are possible?
- How could these partners benefit from working with you? What is "in it" for them?
 What could they bring to the partnership?
- What are the specific responsibilities of each partner?

Structure/Design

- What is the overall goal(s) of your program/initiative?
- Who needs to be involved in the planning process? How will you ensure that the voices of different age groups are heard?
- Who will participate in the program/initiative and how will you recruit and train/ prepare participants and staff?
- What kinds of age and culturally appropriate activities will you design to meet your objectives? How can you facilitate trust and connection across ages as well as meet specific needs?
- What logistical issues (e.g. location, scheduling, transportation) do you have to address in order to increase the likelihood of success?

Resources Needed

• What resources will you need to implement your idea (e.g. staffing, supplies, transportation, stipends)? Will this require external funding as well as in-kind contributions?

Evaluation

• How will you evaluate the program? Who will be responsible for the evaluation and what tools can be used to measure impact?