

## on the table

## your voice matters.

## WHAT IS ON THE TABLE?

On The Table is a one-day opportunity to gather around a table with friends, neighbors, colleagues and maybe even a few people we're meeting for the first time to share a meal and have a real conversation about what's important to us.

During our first On The Table event on March 15, 2017, over 11,000 participants came together around 1,100 tables throughout Lexington to discuss not only what's great about our community, but ways to make it even better.

Like last year, we'll share our experiences and hear about others'. We'll learn about what matters to each of us. We'll talk about ways to build and maintain the neighborhoods and community we desire. We'll connect. And, we'll ask ourselves how we can impact the future of Lexington and communities across the region through individual and collective civic action.

The Community Foundation and its planning partners — the city of Lexington, CivicLex, Fayette Alliance, Fayette County Public Schools, Global Lex, Lexington Public Library, Transylvania University, and University of Kentucky — are proud to collaborate on this exciting initiative.

## WHY ON THE TABLE?

We know that big ideas can spring from small conversations and that people invest in what they help create. At Blue Grass Community Foundation, we are committed to bringing people together to create a more generous, vibrant and engaged community.

In August, the Community
Foundation marked its 50th
anniversary, and we believe there is
no better way to celebrate this
milestone than by partnering with
community-minded organizations
to bring everyone to the table to
help inform our work and the
future direction of the
communities we serve.

On The Table conversations are meant to encourage everyone to think about the issues they care about while adding a diversity of voices to the discussion of who we are, where we're going and what we can do, together, to get there. The goal is to discover how each of us can join with the thousands of people and organizations that make our communities better places for all.

WHEN: Wednesday, March 28, 2018

who: Do you live, work or attend school in the region? You are invited to participate by hosting or attending an On The Table conversation. Sign up for more information, including a comprehensive guide for hosts, at www.bgcf.org/onthetable.

WHERE: Anywhere! Mealtime conversations — breakfast, lunch, dinner and everything in between — can be hosted in homes, schools restaurants, places of worship, libraries, offices, parks and other community locations. Meals can be sit-down, catered, picnic, brown bag or potluck. It's entirely up to the host.

AFTER MARCH 28: All On The Table participants will be invited to complete a short email or paper survey about their conversation, covering important issues and themes, big ideas and what matters most to them. We want to hear every voice! From these responses, the Community Foundation will issue a report highlighting the ideas, conversations, themes and outcomes that emerge from On The Table to help inform efforts to improve our community for everyone.

Join thousands of local citizens on March 28, 2018 – over breakfast, lunch, dinner, a coffee break, or any time in between – to lend your voice to discussions that will help shape the future of our community.



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