

Legacy of the Beach Center Part II

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Ann: It took us years to establish trust, as you were talking about earlier, with many family leaders from around the country who represent diverse communities, and especially diverse communities characterized by poverty. One of the things we are really proud of is that we earn that trust. And in earning it we laugh and say, they had to take us to the woodshed a lot of times because often we were not aware of some of our own biases and blind spots that they had to keep pointing out to us. But by having partnerships and by really listening in tying this back to the earlier idea of importing ideas. We want to make sure we import from the most challenged communities in America, as well as communities that are not as challenged, and then create in partnership and in trust, solutions that are real, that meet the test of time, that meet where the rubber hits the road, that represents the 24/7 reality. We want that integrity to be part of the Beach Center's legacy.

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