Cohort 2: On the Path of Possibility and Hope

And so it begins. A new journey—Aspirations to Actions: Cohort 2 has officially set foot on the path of possibility and hope.

The Patterson Foundation is hosting a second, 2.5-day Harwood Institute's Aspirations to Action workshop on September 21st comprised of 110 individuals from the Sarasota and Manatee counties library systems, along with everyone from Cohort 1 who did not attend Lab 2 and other interested participants. Cohort 2 came together at a Kickoff Breakfast in August that featured Manatee County Administrator Ed Hunzeker and Sarasota County Administrator Mark Cunningham, along with The Patterson Foundation’s CEO Debra Jacobs as speakers, and welcomed Manatee Deputy County Administrator Karen Winston and Sarasota Assistant County Administrator Mark Cunningham.

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