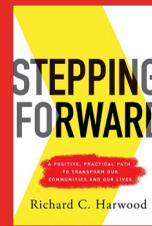


# ASPIRATIONS TO ACTIONS MOMENTS



## Shareable Moments from A Circle In The Circle

Ellen Guinan shared a few insights from her circle's first two meetings:

- The meetings have given us the opportunity to get to know one another better.
- Building relationships and trust are key to moving forward.
- We cannot ever assume to know what the community needs without asking the community.
- It takes effort, education, and lots of time to achieve a community goal.

Thank you for this opportunity to learn and grow through the book circles.



## New Stepping Forward Video from the Harwood Institute

### Are You Ready to Step Forward?

STEPPING FORWARD

## Shareable Moments from Manatee County Neighborhood Services

Kristi Hagen shared reflections from the Manatee County Neighborhood Services book circle as they discussed common values.

Values shared with others

1. Caring
2. Kindness
3. Responsibility
4. Civility
5. Passion
6. Leadership

This list continued and was extensive. We found it interesting — when we were talking about values of the group we were sitting with, it was easy to rattle off a variety of values we felt we shared. But, when I asked if the group felt those values would also be named if they were out in the general population, our conversation turned. The one value that we felt all people would HOPE to share is civility.

## Continue the Conversation

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