Building Lasting Community Partnerships
How do you define a community?
Introduction to our organizations
What defines a partnership?
Spectrum of Partnerships

**PARTNERSHIP CONTINUUM AND CHARACTERISTICS**

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Greater Ithaca Activities Center (GIAC)

- Serves families in Ithaca through multicultural, education, and recreational programs
- Advocates for the rights and needs of youth, families, underrepresented and disenfranchised populations
- Provides own programming and partners with other organizations
Sparking Interest in Hispanic Learners Nationwide through Meaningful Connections to NASA Explorations and Discoveries
MLS and Families Moving Forward
Science Together: Co-Creating Meaningful Informal Science Education Experiences Between a Science Center and a Temporary Homeless Shelter – A Case Study
Your partnerships

What do your partnerships look like? Where do they fall on the continuum? Where do you want them to be?

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NISENet Museum & Community Partnerships: Collaboration Guide and additional resources
Why do we partner with other organizations?

Share at least three responses from your table

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Where did we start?

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What are your organization’s non-negotiables?

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Where does power currently exist?
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What resources do we as science centers bring to the table?

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What are lessons learned?
What questions did we miss?

What else is on your mind?
Reach out with questions!

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