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## *Strengthening linkages between community and legal organizations*

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### 3. EVALUATION PROJECT PARTNERS AND STAFF

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Every Connecting project will include an evaluation. The Connecting Communities Secretariat will collect and share common feedback across all projects and present the information to the Advisory Committee for review. The Secretariat will also share aggregate results on the Public Legal Education Learning Exchange for other groups to use in their public legal education work.

The following questions are designed to help you reflect on your Connecting project and the success of your partnership. The questions will be used in several ways. The Connecting Communities Secretariat will request a meeting with you and use these questions as a conversation guide. As well, the Secretariat will share your overall findings and recommendations with the Advisory Committee.

You may also choose to include your thoughts in a conversation with colleagues on your staff and project partners. Finally, responses can also form part of the narrative sections in the report to your funder.

#### **A/ At the end of the training**

##### Questions

- To what extent were the goals and objectives of the training achieved?
- Were there any unanticipated outcomes? List.
- Did you try anything different? How did it work?
- Please identify challenges you may have faced in planning the training.
- To what extent did you reach your target group for the training? What were the reasons for reaching or not reaching the target?
- Do you think the training approach you used was the best way to meet your training objectives? Provide details.
- Name three things that went well during the training session and three things that you would like to share with others?



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- Did any new ideas for initiatives result from this training?
- What assumptions did you make about the training that ended up holding true? That proved to be incorrect?

### **B/ At the end of the project**

The Connecting Communities Advisory Committee would like to hear what has changed for project partners and staff since the training.

Aggregate findings from the following questions will be communicated to the Advisory Committee, Public Legal Education Learning Exchange and the Law Foundation of Ontario. The answers will contribute to a greater understanding of the impact of the project overall.

The Connecting Communities Secretariat will request a meeting with you near the end of your project and will use these questions as an interview guide.

#### Questions

- Was this training effective? Why or why not?
- Do you think your training approach and materials should be shared with others as an effective model? For what reasons?
- How well did the partnership work with respect to planning and delivering the training? What were some benefits of working together? Challenges? Successes? Are you planning to work together on anything else?
- Have you continued to work with project on other initiatives? If yes, how?
- Has anything changed at your agency as a result of the project? If yes, what?
- If you had the chance, would you do this project again? If yes, what changes would you make?
- To what extent has this project connected legal and non-legal organizations?
- Can you speak to the ways in which this project has contributed to the larger goals of the Connecting Communities initiative?

The Secretariat will support you in your evaluation efforts and will be pleased to answer your questions.