



on the table

your voice matters.

WHAT IS ON THE TABLE?

Wouldn't it be great to take the time to gather around a table with friends, neighbors, colleagues and maybe even a few people we're meeting for the first time to have a real conversation about what's important to us? Wouldn't it be even better if those conversations fueled real change?

On the Table is a one-day opportunity to do just that – all across Lexington – and talk about the issues, big and small, that impact our quality of life and that of the city. How did you get to Lexington, why do you stay and what do you want for the future? How do we build and maintain the neighborhoods and city we desire? When we have a chance to talk about our experiences in this town and hear others, we connect and learn about what matters to all of us.

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On the Table is a first-of-its-kind community engagement initiative in Lexington where your conversations will not only further the Community Foundation's work, but also inform Imagine Lexington, the city's Comprehensive Plan. The organic conversations and genuine community engagement from diverse voices throughout the city will enhance Lexington's vision for the future.

WHY ON THE TABLE?

We know that big ideas can spring from small conversations and that people invest in what they help create. At Blue Grass Community Foundation, we are committed to bringing people together to create a stronger, better, more generous community. In 2017, the Community Foundation celebrates its 50th anniversary. There is no better way to celebrate this milestone than by partnering with community-minded organizations to bring citizens to the table to help inform our work and the future direction of our community.

The Community Foundation, Leadership Lexington and the city's Division of Planning are collaborating on this exciting initiative to invite the community to join us at the table for meaningful conversation.

On the Table conversations are all about encouraging Lexingtonians to think about the issues they care about, while adding a diversity of voices to the discussion about who we are, where we're going and what we can do to get there. It's about discovering how each of us can join the thousands of people and organizations making Lexington a better place to live for everyone.

WHEN: Wednesday, March 15, 2017

WHO: Do you live, work or attend school in Lexington? You are invited to participate by hosting or attending an On the Table conversation. **Sign up for more information, including a comprehensive guide for hosts, at bgcf.org/onthetable.**

WHERE: Mealtime conversations – breakfast, lunch, dinner and everything in between – can be hosted in homes, restaurants, places of worship, libraries, offices, parks and other community locations. They can be sit-down, catered, picnic, brown bag or potluck – it is entirely up to the host.

AFTER MARCH 15: All On the Table participants will be invited to complete a short email/text survey about their event, covering important issues and themes, big ideas and what matters most to you. We really want to hear every voice. From these responses, the Community Foundation will issue a report highlighting the ideas, conversations, themes and outcomes that emerge from On the Table, and input will inform Imagine Lexington, the city's Comprehensive Plan.

Join thousands of Lexingtonians on March 15, 2017 – over breakfast, lunch, dinner, a coffee break, or any time in between – to lend your voice to discussions that will help shape the future of our community.

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