# MOPs Leadership Meeting Guide

#### Leadership Meeting Guide - Find Your Fire

### **Building Your Fire**

Community Organizing regardless of your circumstances

Beyond your family and love of God, what fires your passion? Children's health? School issues? Children at risk? A community challenge? Taking care of God's creation? If you know what you want to work on but have no idea how to start, or maybe you want to do something but not sure what it is. This program can help moms find and build their fire.

How do you start if you are beginning from scratch? What are you trying to achieve? How do you identify potential partners? If there are a group of you, how do you proceed? How can you get the issue in front of other concerned people? Have a speaker come in and discuss how to organize effectively.

#### Speaker or Video program

Moms Clean Air Force Local Representative, Non-profit Organizer, Mom in Community who organized her own group, EEN Director of Women's Ministries.

#### Discussion questions

- 1. What breaks your heart?
- 2. Are there others already working on this issue?
- 3. Do you have an idea what could help the challenge that the community is facing?
- 4. What do you think the first steps are?
- 5. If you needed help for this issue where would you first go?
- 6. Are there others in the group who care about the same thing?

#### Additional resources

- Get a community organizer to come do a training.
- Find a group in another community doing the same thing and contact them to find out how they organized.
- See if your local church organization has resources to help teach organizing.

## Additional activities for off MOPs meeting week

Host an organizing meeting to set goals and strategies. Attend or host a community organizing training. Ask a non-profit that you are interested in helping how you can lift and support their work.