

Host & Prepare for Poverty 101

Your consideration of this opportunity is appreciated! [Poverty 101](#) is central to egm's mission of engaging with the community to alleviate poverty. Your partnership is vital and deeply valued.

As a host of [Poverty 101](#), you and your organization are embarking on a rich growing experience. This will change how you think about poverty and homelessness. It will also transform and inspire you while equipping you with some essentials to achieve the goal of "Helping without Hurting."

[Poverty 101](#) is a foundational training consisting of a series of interactive exercises and conversational learning experiences. Participants are encouraged through a variety of approaches to consider how their experience has shaped their understanding of poverty. Participants will have:

- Grown in understanding cross-cultural differences of social and economic classes.
- Learned about communication and relationship differences and how tools can help build healthy interactions
- Considered how theological, economic, political, governmental, and social systems create barriers to change.
- You will be encouraged to pursue effective relational poverty alleviation strategies that remove personal and systemic barriers to change.
- Explored some of what the Bible says about how we are to engage with those experiencing poverty. – Religious aspects of the training may be omitted in secular contexts.

You will laugh, be moved, inspired, and perhaps even confronted or angered. We can promise that you cannot take [Poverty 101](#) and not be changed in some way.

egm's Board of Directors affirm that providing [Poverty 101](#) at no cost in Snohomish County is our standard. Special occasions and invitations beyond Snohomish County involve additional costs.

egm trainings intentionally foster networking and collaboration between partners including faith communities, non-profits, municipalities, businesses, and community groups.

Hosts invest time and resources, detailed on the following page.

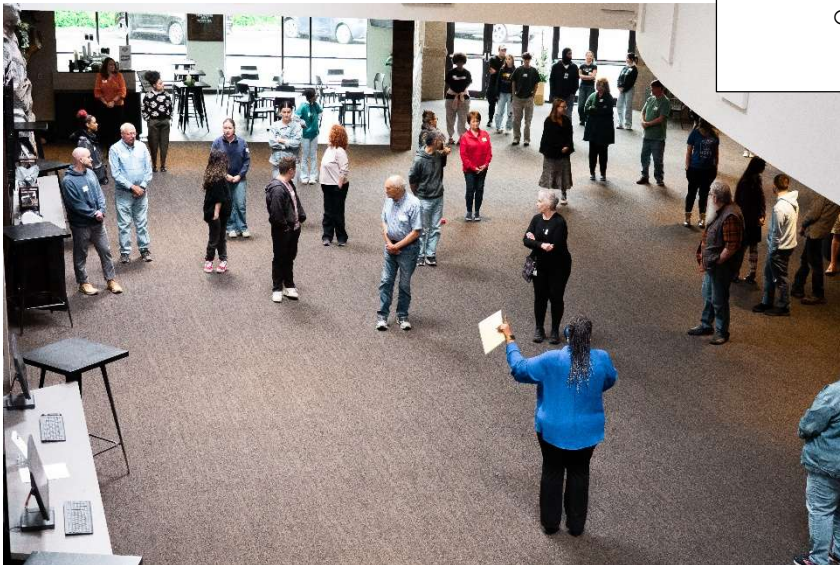


Poverty 101 Host Information:

- Typical held on a Saturday from 9 am to 3, other times may be arranged
- A minimum of **40 registered participants are required**, egm encourages up to 75
- Hosts are encouraged to collaborate
- Hosts invite participants
- egm shares marketing materials for promotional efforts
- Unless otherwise agreed, egm publicly promotes all [Poverty 101](#) opportunities
- Unless otherwise agreed, egm manages registration, egm will share registrant names only with the host
- Hosts agree to a post event debrief with egm

Hosts Provide:

- coffee and breakfast snacks by 8:45 AM
- lunch for all attendees by noon
- afternoon snacks
- A meeting space large enough for (ideally round) tables with six chairs
- A lectern and two music stands or equivalent
- AV equipment
 - ideally: projection & sound
- An additional large for a group activity
 - no A/V necessary
 - weather permitting, this may be outdoor
- Advance access to the space and assistance with set up at a mutually agreed on day/time
 - A minimum of 2 hours before the event with 2 volunteers



Important: While *host key leadership involvement is essential*, egm encourages hosts to designate **an additional capable person to serve as the liaison with egm**. The ideal liaison is detail-oriented person who can plan and organize an event, have access to the space, and be able to coordinate with the host's A/V personnel.