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Introductory icebreaker: Community Gifts

Using a flip chart ask the group speak out on “gifts” they bring to the program.

The facilitator should be explicit in asking the participants how they would like to be in community with each other. This is often a new opportunity for participants to consider and articulate their individual needs and those of the larger community.

"What are the gifts/talents or skill that we choose to give each other?" The Leader may model an answer by offering "the gift of listening." The goal is to elicit responses such as being on time for breaks, one person speaking at a time, trying to practice speaking from one's own authority, and so forth. You could draw an empty basket on the chart paper and as responses come in, draw and note them on the newsprint as gifts for our community.

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