

The Help Me Grow National Center invites state leads from across the National Affiliate Network to apply to co-facilitate and lead the 2022-2023 Help Me Grow Building Connections Series: State Lead Network.

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Part of HMG National Center's Building Connections initiative, the HMG State Lead Network (SLN) will provide opportunities for those in the state lead role to convene regularly over the coming year, learn together and from one another, jointly problem-solve around common challenges, and build a network of support, knowledge, and experience that aims to strengthen HMG state leadership as a whole.

To ensure the SLN represents the diverse perspectives, ideas, and needs of the National Affiliate Network, The HMG National Center is seeking Co-Chairs who will assist in planning and facilitating quarterly SLN convenings.

The SLN Co-Chair roles and responsibilities, commitment, incentive and application process are outlined below.

## Roles & Responsibilities

- Attend monthly planning meetings to identify topics, speakers, structure for upcoming convenings, etc.
- Research possible speakers/resources to share
- Develop surveys or other mechanisms to solicit priorities for session topics from HMG state leads themselves, and review data collected
- Attend and help facilitate one 2-hour convening per quarter (four annually)
- Assist in finding note-takers for breakout sessions and collating notes from each retreat for review by HMG National and SLN Co-Chairs
- Respond to regular emails discussing upcoming convenings

## Duration

SLN Co-Chairs will contribute to planning and convening efforts between November 2022 and October 2023.

## Expected Time Commitment

SLN Co-Chairs should anticipate spending approximately 5 hours per month on SLN-related tasks; actual time spent may vary.

*Applicants are advised to hold Tuesday, October 11 at 2pm ET and Wednesday, October 12 at 3:30pm ET for an initial planning meeting with HMG National.*

## Incentive

To recognize the time and effort provided by each SLN Co-Chair, the National Center will provide a stipend of \$1,200 (either the individual or their organization) for the year of leadership.

## Eligibility Criteria

1. Applicants must serve in a leadership role for HMG at the state-level. (Please note, state leads from both new and long-standing HMG affiliates are encouraged to apply.)
2. Applicants must be willing, able, and commit to the outlined responsibilities and commitments associated with the Co-Chair role.
3. Applicants must have reviewed the embargoed version of the forthcoming HMG National Center report, [Leading Help Me Grow at the State-Level: An Exploration of Roles, Responsibilities, Strategies, & Approaches](#).
4. Applicants must have attended or watched the recording of the [State Lead Roundtable Discussion](#).

## Application

The SLN Co-Chair application is available online and due by Monday, October 3, 2022. [Please click here to access the SLN Co-Chair Application](#).

Applicants will be selected based on the criteria above and notified of acceptance by Friday, October 7, 2022. \*Additional criteria may be applied depending on number of applications submitted.

## For Questions

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