

Statements to Consider

- It helps now and then to step back and take the long view
- We can't do everything and there is a sense of liberation in that
- We can do something and we need to that well
- We have an obligation to *each and every* student, no matter their circumstances to create a safe culture
- We plant the seed that someday will grow; we may never see the end result
- We provide the years that produces effects far beyond our capabilities

Questions to Consider

- What are school/community-based organizations about today?
- What has changed in your field over the last 30 years?
- Why are school/community-based organizations the most important public institutions? (Or, are they?)
- What are the challenges of working with your constituents (students, family members, clients, etc.)?
- What do the most challenging students/youth have in common?
- What's going to make a difference in their lives?
- How *fairly* are we dealing with each and every constituent (intellectually, culturally, ethnically, racially, by gender, etc.)?