



Founder Meeting Synthesis

What participants discussed when they gathered

Themes, insights, and next steps



Why We Come Together

A shared social justice grounding



Rooted in social justice



Our missions are harder to fulfill in isolation



The goal is solidarity, not just networking



We are responding to systems of control, violence, and greed



Liberation & Legacy

Key ideas that emerged in the discussion

Liberation



Freedom for people, communities, and leaders



Creating safe spaces and real choice



Survive and thrive, not just endure



Legacy



Leave future generations more freedom



Pass down vision, relationships, and resources



Think 7 to 13 generations ahead

“ Before there can be legacy, there has to be survival. 

The 3 Values in Practice

How the Collective wants to live its values



How we do the work matters as much as what we accomplish.

From Reflection to Action

A strong desire to begin doing things together



Identify the natural intersections in our work



Start collaborating now



Build relationships through meaningful action



Use affinity areas as a starting point



Possible areas of collaboration



Education



Youth



Social
Justice



Environmental
Justice



Special
Needs



Policy

Holding Joy and Sorrow Together

The emotional role of the Collective



The work can feel lonely and exhausting



Gathering restores energy and hope



Members spoke of inspiration and emotional renewal



The Collective can sustain the people who sustain movements



Next Steps Toward September

Moving from shared values to shared action

-  1 Clarify who is committed
-  2 Continue one-on-one conversations
-  3 Task forces: Membership, Publication, Endowment
-  4 Gather in person in September to deepen relationships and launch collaborations



SEPTEMBER GATHERING



Friday:
student affinity
leader sessions



Saturday:
founder
working day



Sunday:
public presentation /
performance



What can we build together that none of us could build alone?