

You're invited to a

# DATA PARTY!

**Who?** → YOU AND YOUR KEY STAKEHOLDERS

**What?** → A GATHERING THAT ALLOWS PEOPLE TO INTERACT WITH AND INCREASE THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR DRAFT FINDINGS, AND PROVIDE INPUT INTO FINAL CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. ALSO KNOWN AS PARTICIPATORY SENSE-MAKING, RESULTS-BRIEFINGS, AND PARTICIPATORY DATA ANALYSIS.

**When?** → BEFORE YOU DRAFT THE FINAL REPORT.  
ALLOW FOR TWO HOURS MINIMUM.

**Why?** → PEOPLE SUPPORT WHAT THEY HELPED TO CREATE!

**Where?** → IN A SMALL GROUP, LARGE FORUM, OR ONLINE MEETING. IT'S UP TO YOU!

**How?** → POSE REFLECTIVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FINDINGS TO THE GROUP SUCH AS:

WHAT IS THIS DATA TELLING YOU?  
WHAT DO YOU THINK IS OCCURRING HERE, AND WHY?  
HOW DOES IT ALIGN WITH YOUR EXPECTATIONS?  
IS THIS BETTER OR WORSE THAN YOU EXPECTED?  
WHAT REALLY STANDS OUT FOR YOU?  
ARE THERE ANY SURPRISES HERE?  
WHAT RESPONSE DO YOU THINK IS REQUIRED HERE?  
HOW VIABLE ARE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS?  
WHICH FEEL MOST DOABLE?  
HOW MIGHT WE BEST COMMUNICATE THESE FINDINGS TO  
DECISION-MAKERS?



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