

You're invited to a

DATA PARTY!

Who? → YOU AND YOUR KEY COLLABORATORS

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 STORY IS THIS DATA TELLING YOU?
- HOW DOES IT ALIGN WITH YOUR EXPECTATIONS?
- WHAT MIGHT BE AN ALTERNATE EXPLANATION?
- WHAT REALLY STANDS OUT FOR YOU? ARE THERE ANY SURPRISES HERE?
- IS THERE ANOTHER WAY TO ANALYZE THIS DATA?
- ARE THERE ANY BIASES AT PLAY HERE?
- WHAT RESPONSE DO YOU THINK IS REQUIRED HERE?
- HOW VIABLE ARE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS?
- WHAT ARE WE STILL UNCERTAIN ABOUT?
- HOW MIGHT WE BEST COMMUNICATE THESE FINDINGS?

