



# Grassroots Collaborative Toolkit

## Economic Equity Education

### Busting Budget Myths

#### Purpose

To educate participants on the truth behind common myths about the Illinois Economy utilizing the Human Spectrogram exercise, which is often used to discover similarities and differences within a group and get a spectrum of comments on an issue

#### Time

20 Minutes

#### Materials

Timer, Painter's Tape, List of Myths & Truths

#### Preparation

Position colored tape across an open floor to symbolize a spectrogram.

#### Description

On one end of the tape could symbolize yes while the other end symbolizes no. The two ends of the tape could also symbolize strongly agree vs strongly disagree. A facilitator will provide a statement and participants are asked to position themselves along the spectrum. Participants can stand in the middle or take in between positions.

The facilitator interviews people along the line to give participants the opportunity to clarify their selected positions in real time, whenever their perspective on the topic has changed.

#### Debrief

According to topic