



Activating Community Power: A Conversation with Boston City Councilor Julia Mejia


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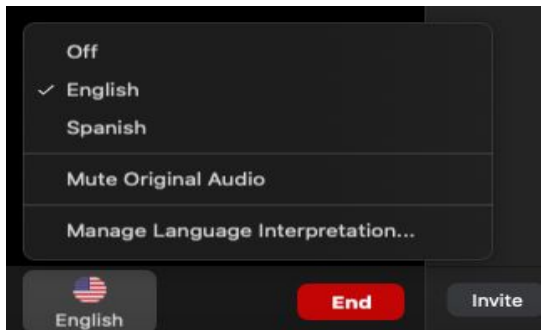


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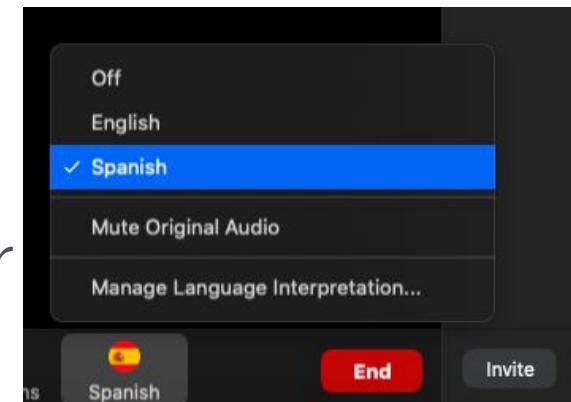


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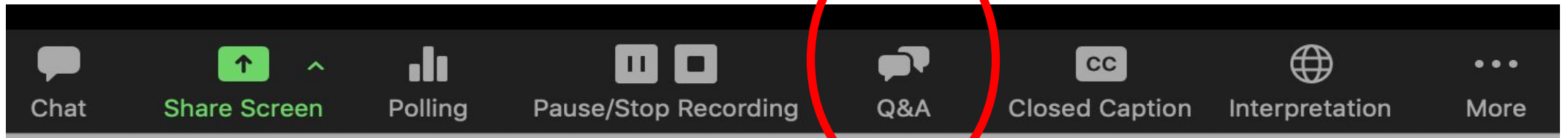


Housekeeping

- Spanish Language Access
 - Community Language Cooperative (CLC) based in Denver, CO
- Slides and recording will be posted on the NOW Forum (<https://www.networksofopportunity.org/Webinar>)
- Submit questions on dashboard
- Use the chat box for comments

Q&A

- Submit your questions by clicking on the Q&A icon at the bottom of your screen





Session Outline

- Welcome & Overview
- About Vital Village
- *Activating Community Power: A Conversation with Boston City Councilor Julia Mejia*
- Audience Q&A
- Closing

About Vital Village Networks

Vital Village Networks is a national collective of diverse change-makers and organizations committed to pioneering sustainable approaches to transforming child, family, and community wellbeing

Networks of Opportunity for Child Wellbeing (NOW) is a national initiative powered by Vital Village Networks

NOW exists to achieve social transformation and racial justice by partnering with individuals, organizations, institutions, and coalitions across the country to build their capacity to equitably share power with communities that have faced ongoing racial oppression and marginalization.



Guiding Principles

BELONG - Centered in dignity and equity



LEARN - Those closest to the challenge are closest to the solution



ENGAGE - Design with, not for, users



TRANSFORM - Identify and frame challenges to address collectively

NOW Innovation Forum – Sign up to engage with a network of community leaders



¡Ya está en marcha una versión en español de nuestro sitio web!
Estamos muy emocionados de practicar la justicia del idioma,
mientras tanto, le agradecemos su paciencia. ¡Gracias!

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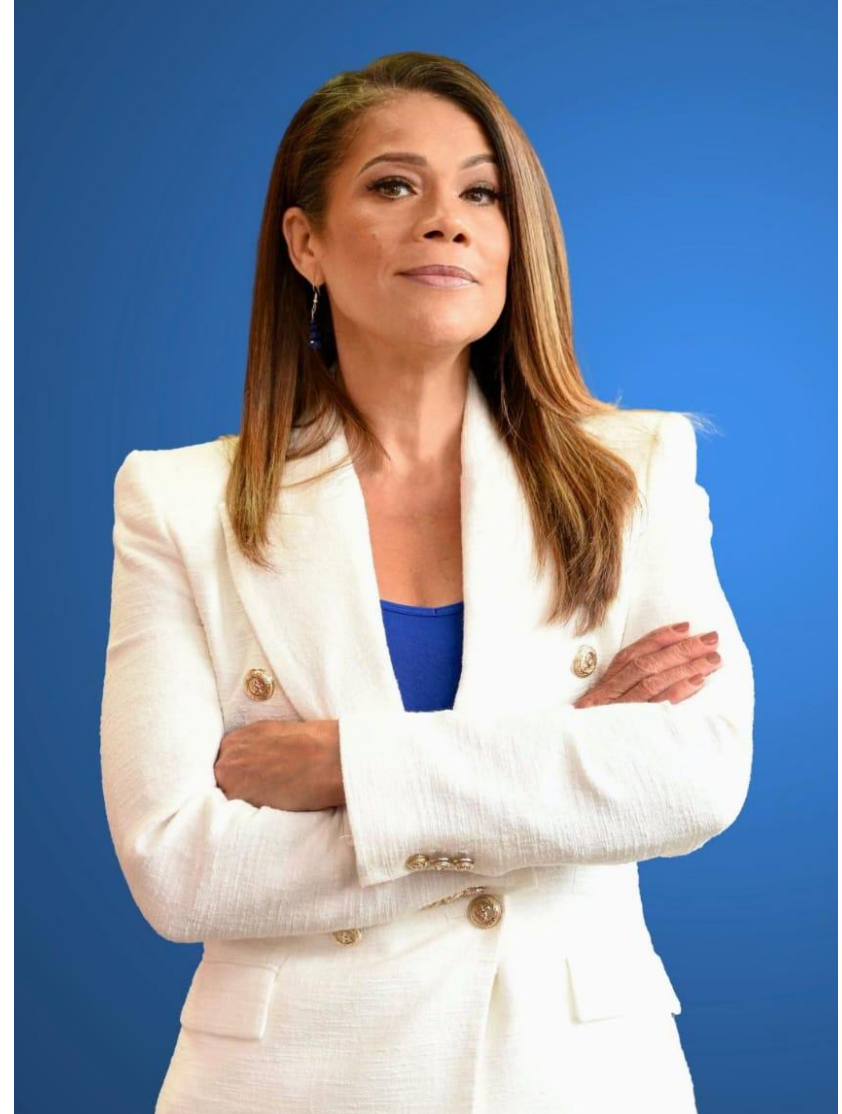
Imperative of NOW: Community Power and Healing-Centered Advocacy

- What does it look like to harness, activate and build community power?
- What can we learn from resident-led advocacy movements -- from voter education, birth equity, food systems, and early childhood education -- and their strategies towards self-advocacy, collective action, and legislative change?

Featured Speaker

Councilor Julia Mejia

*Boston City Council,
Chair of the Committee on
Government Accountability,
Transparency, and
Accessibility*

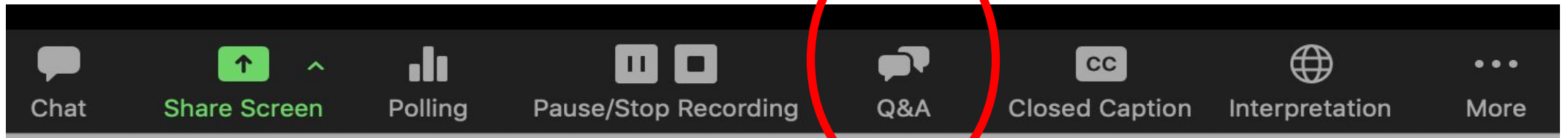


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INSTRUCTIONS: Please download this document and take a few minutes to write some initial responses to the following questions

What resonated with you most from today's webinar?	
Which lever of change are you feeling compelled to focus attention on in your work?	
How are you thinking about children, families, and communities in your work differently?	
What 2-3 action steps might you take over the next two months to better uplift and honor the dignity of children, families, and community?	

GROWBABY Research Network Research Roundtable

Thursday, March 21
12:30-1:30pm EST

Register at:
[https://www.tinyurl.com/
growbabyroundtable](https://www.tinyurl.com/growbabyroundtable)



Research Roundtable

Implementing the
Centering Parenting
Model to Improve Child
Health & Parent
Satisfaction



Presentation by:
CYNTHIA DIMOVITZ, CRNP

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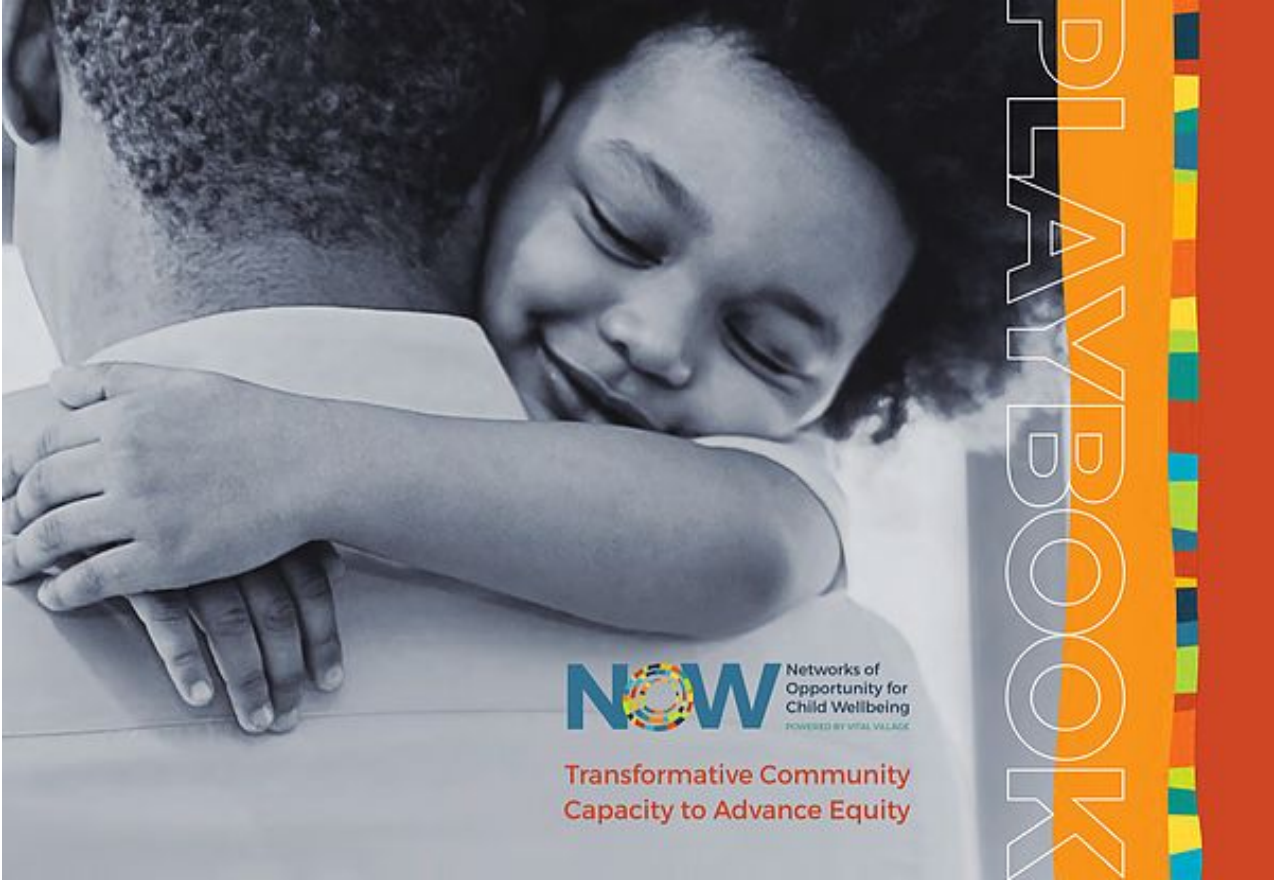
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In the Arena with NOW

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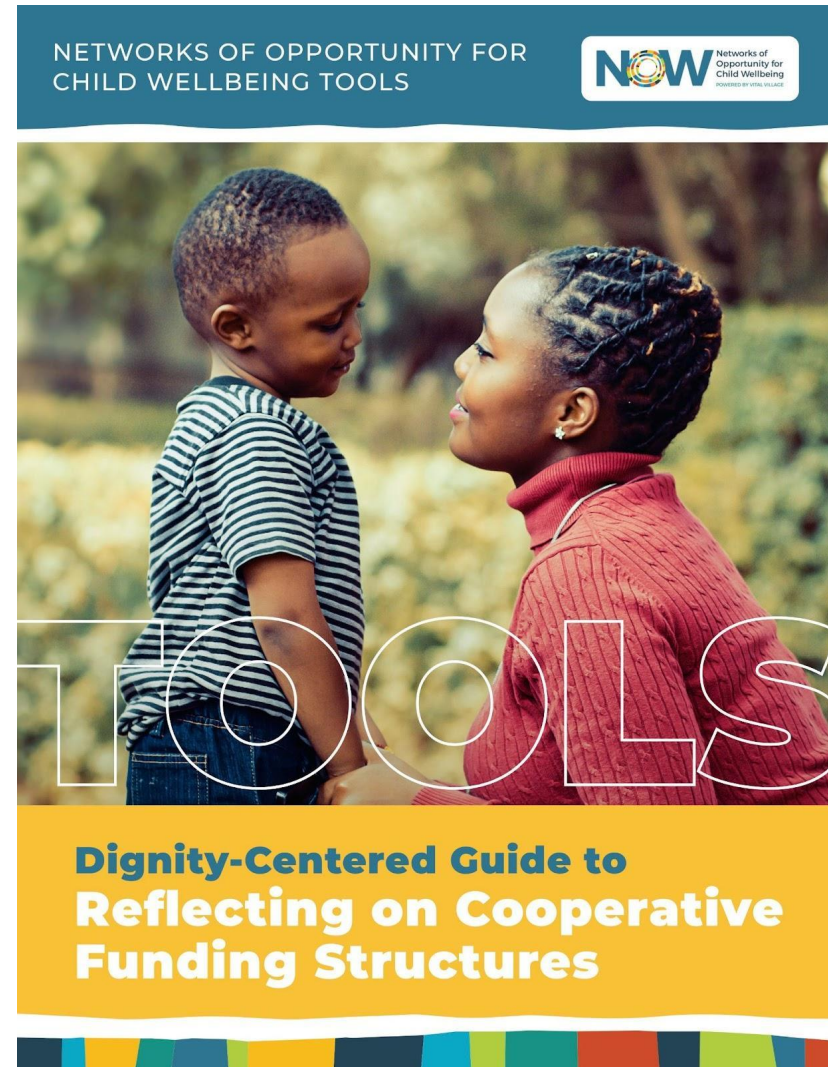
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NOW Playbook: Transformative Community Capacity to Advance Equity



<https://www.networksofopportunity.org/nw-playbook>

A Dignity-Centered Guide to Reflecting on Cooperative Funding Structures



<https://www.networksofopportunity.org/coop-reflection-guide>



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