



## CONVERSATIONS TO IGNITE CHANGE – THE JOHNSON FOUNDATION AT WINGSPREAD ANNOUNCES “ON THE TABLE”

*New platform brings together Racine-area residents on a single day to build connections and explore ways to make our region stronger*

**RACINE – September 8, 2022** – The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread today announced the launch of a new platform to galvanize residents to come together in small groups on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> in homes, businesses, and neighborhoods throughout Racine County to connect, listen and discuss ways to work together to create a stronger region.

As a follow-up to [Racine Speaks: Real Data. Real People](#), The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread is launching its first community-wide conversation. *On the Table: Racine* seeks to encourage healthy dialogue, foster a connected community, and spark collaborative action.

Created by The Chicago Community Trust and replicated in more than 20 cities across the country, *On the Table* brings people together around a meal and a common purpose. It consists of small, independently organized gatherings where people talk about topics that matter in their lives and communities. Anyone can host a table and bring others together for collective impact.

*On the Table: Racine* is for people who live or work in Racine County - from diverse backgrounds, neighborhoods and perspectives. It's an opportunity to listen and learn, discover the depth of each other's shared humanity and discuss new solutions to age-old problems.

The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread will provide the host registration infrastructure, support materials and guidance to make each experience as successful as possible. After the event, they will share knowledge and outcomes that arise from the hosts' tables.

“The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread believes that when a group of people diverse in thought, background and experiences come together face-to-face to find common ground on community challenges, powerful things can happen. It's something we've observed over the course of our 60-year history as a convener and architect of meaningful conversations. *On the Table: Racine* is a new channel for these discussions to take place.” said Marcus White, president of The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread.

Those interested in hosting are encouraged to sign up, starting today, at [www.johnsonfdn.org/ottracine](http://www.johnsonfdn.org/ottracine). Join the conversation on social media using the hashtag #OnTheTableRacine.

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The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread is dedicated to serving as a catalyst for change by bringing together leading thinkers and inspiring new solutions on important issues affecting future quality of life. For additional information or to learn more about The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread, please visit [www.johnsonfdn.org](http://www.johnsonfdn.org).

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