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Rebuilding Community

◊ TRUST is the currency
◊ & CHANGE moves at the speed of TRUST

◊ Move from INCLUSIVITY to BELONGING
◊ Rather than invite to, CO-CREATE the space, table, course, department, goals, initiative WITH

◊ Targeted Universalism (john a. powell)
◊ simultaneously pursuing transformational change
What can **YOU** do right now, with what **YOU** have and where **YOU** are?

- With who/m will I commit to build trust for the long-term?
- How will I be a part of co-creating change with others?
- How will I meaningfully/intentionally connect what I’m teaching/modeling/inspiring/learning in the classroom to the urgency of challenges that exist on (in Baltimore, in the U.S., the world)?
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