

# REALIZING THE AMERICAN DREAM

## Interest Inventory and Needs Assessment Webquest

### NOTES

*Please be sure to print and attach particularly relevant or helpful information. You **don't** need to print from each site you visit, just from the one or two that would help to inform discussions with your group members.*

### Step 1: Interest Inventory

Which Alabama non-profits did you virtually visit?

What did you learn about the type, organization, or services related to the non-profits you visited?

Which national or international non-profits did you visit?

What about these organizations were similar or different than those Alabama organizations?

### Step 2: Initial Needs Assessment

Considering a more in-depth analysis of one or two organizations, note the following:

- ☐ How would you describe the current services?
- ☐ Who do they target?
- ☐ What service(s) do they provide?
- ☐ How do they seem to make the organization “work?”
- ☐ What are the strengths of the organization?
- ☐ Do you see any potential weaknesses of the organization?
- ☐ What “gaps,” if any, do you see in this organization? What could help them to be even more successful?
- ☐ What contacts could you make to ask more specific questions of the organization? (Name, phone number, email, etc.)

*Type your responses below or add them to your own paper.*

### Step 3. Primary and Secondary Sources

Did you come across any noteworthy sources that your group may need later?

What kinds of sources do you still need to find? Do you know how to find these?

Do you have both primary and secondary sources in mind to help argue the need for the presence of your organization?

**Step 4. Evaluating Your Research**

Based on the research you've completed, what is your current recommendation or contribution to this part of your group's discussion and decision-making process?