

# Organizing a Local Coalition Leadership Team

With Alignment and Support from Project Civica

### 1. Clarify the Relationship

- Project Civica is the statewide structure providing oversight, training, strategy alignment, and resource support.
- Local coalitions operate with basic autonomy in organizing actions and outreach, but within shared
  values and accountability standards and will be asked to help with statewide efforts of Project
  CIVICA
- Think of it as a **federated model**: local leadership, statewide coordination.

### 2. Define Core Responsibilities

### Local Leadership Team should be responsible for:

- · Organizing regular local meetings
- Coordinating local civic actions and events
- Communicating with local officials and community partners
- Reporting progress and challenges to Project Civica
- Promoting coalition unity and managing internal dynamics

### **Project Civica provides:**

- Mission clarity, leadership support, and legal/policy guidance
- Messaging and training materials
- Access to statewide and national partnerships
- Regular check-ins and troubleshooting assistance

# 3. Establish a Local Leadership Structure

#### Recommended Roles:

- **Team Lead** Point of contact with Project Civica; ensures alignment
- Communications Coordinator Manages outreach, social media, and sign-ups
- Logistics Coordinator Plans events, trainings, and local meetings
- Liaison Officer Builds relationships with other groups and officials
- Recorder/Reporting Lead Tracks meetings, decisions, and submits monthly updates

Tip: Rotate leadership yearly or bi-yearly to avoid burnout and promote fresh perspectives.

## 4. Set Ground Rules Early

- All actions must align with Project Civica's core principles (non-partisan, citizen-led, pro-freedom)
- No use of the Project Civica name for unrelated or unauthorized initiatives
- Disagreements should be resolved respectfully with open communication
- Leaders should **inform Project Civica** of any major planned initiatives, partnerships, or press

### 5. Use Transparent Communication

- Maintain a shared folder or document tracker (e.g., Google Drive or Airtable)
- Hold monthly or bi-monthly leadership team calls
- Always document action items and decisions
- Submit short monthly reports to Project Civica using the provided template

## • 6. Encourage Collaboration, Not Control

- Remind local leaders they are not being micromanaged—they are being supported
- Project Civica's oversight is about **coherence**, **legal coverage**, **and effectiveness**
- Encourage local innovation but within an agreed framework
- Share successes with other teams to build momentum

# 7. Project Civica Conflict Resolution Process

If conflicts arise:

- 1. Discuss internally among local team members
- 2. If unresolved, raise the issue to Project Civica leadership

Project Civica will provide mediation or recommend structural adjustments