

# EVALUATION 101

Data-Informed Cultures

# AGENDA

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INTRODUCTIONS AND ICEBREAKER



TRAINING GOALS



DATA-INFORMED CULTURES



TRAINING SURVEY

# INTRODUCTIONS AND ICE BREAKER

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- Please tell us...
  - Your name
  - Your role at the organization
  - Your favorite part about your organization

# BACKGROUND AND TRAINING GOALS

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“IF YOU CAN’T MEASURE IT, YOU  
CAN’T IMPROVE IT.”

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Peter Drucker

# WHAT WILL WE DO TOGETHER?

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# EVALUATION 101 TRAINING SERIES

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Develop organization-wide knowledge of evaluation and its role

Introduce evaluation concepts and discuss how they can benefit your visitors, staff, and the community

# EVALUATION 101 TRAINING SERIES

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1

Data-Informed Cultures

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Planning for Evaluation

3

Gathering Data & Data Management

4

Using Data to Enhance Programming





1. Understand what a data-informed culture is and its benefits
2. Discuss your current data culture and your hopes for the future

# DATA INFORMED CULTURES

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# WHAT IS DATA?

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- Data = Information
- Need multiple types of data to truly understand a program or organization
- Evaluation uses data that's been collected and analyzed in a systematic way

# DISCUSSION

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- What types of data or information is collected at your organization?
- How do you use the data or information at your organization?
  - How has information been used to know that things are working well or to adjust what's not working well?

# WHAT IS A DATA-INFORMED CULTURE?

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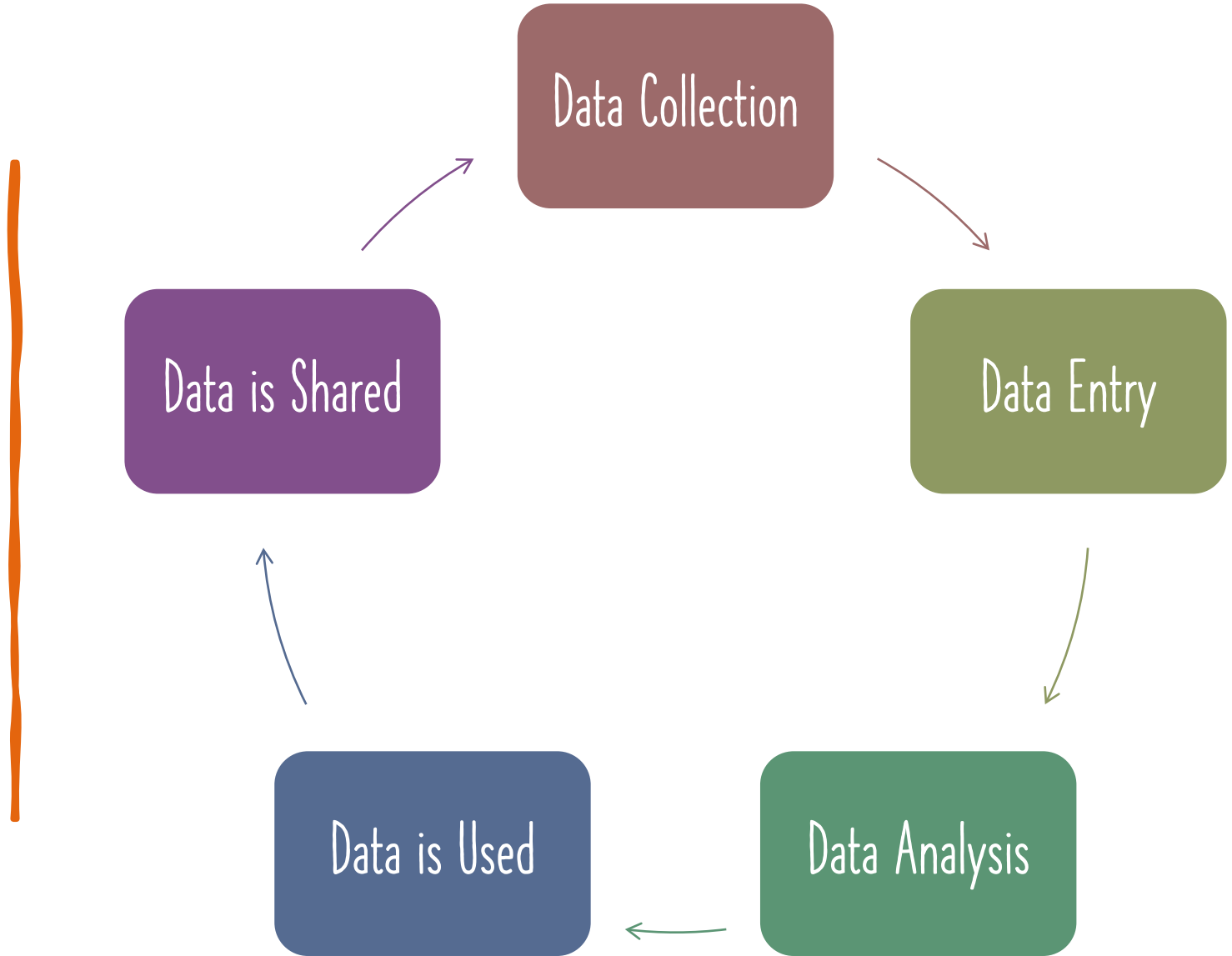
Recognize the value of data

Decisions are made using data

Multiple types of data are valued

Data feedback loops are used

# WHAT IS A DATA FEEDBACK LOOP?



# DISCUSSION

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- Which parts of the data feedback loop are used at your organization?
- How can your organization benefit from having a data-informed culture?

# BENEFITS OF DATA-INFORMED CULTURES

## Accountability

- Can make stronger arguments to support decisions

## Continuous Improvement

- Data are used to pinpoint what's working well (and expand on it)
- Data are used to adjust what's not working well

## Community Voice

- Sharing findings with community helps to ensure that programs are relevant and meaningful to people being served

## Sustainability

- Data can be used to demonstrate program success and attract additional/new sources of funding



# CLOSING THOUGHTS

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- Data-informed cultures help make programs and organizations stronger.
- Everyone on the team has something to offer to enhance the organizational culture.
- We're excited to work with your team!



# EVALUATION 101: DATA-INFORMED CULTURES

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