

Full Community

discussion questions

- 1** What are three words you would use to describe your reaction to watching this film?

Facilitator note: capture these words on a flip chart or whiteboard at the front of the room

- 2** The film talks about how the root cause of chronic homelessness is not what is traditionally depicted in the media; rather, research shows that the root cause of chronic homelessness is the tragic loss of family. How do you believe the church can step into this space and help heal this loss?

The Full Community Model Elements

Settled's Full Community Model is based on five key elements: Cultivated Places, Permanent Homes, Intentional Neighbors, Purposeful Work, and Supportive Friends. They are in response to five major challenges in developing affordable housing and eradicating chronic homelessness. Which one or two elements stood out most to you and why?

- 3** Which one or two components stood out most to you in each element of the Full Community Model and why:

Cultivated Places

Permanent Homes

Intentional Neighbors

Purposeful Work

Supportive Friends

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Preparing for the Discernment Process

- 4 What are the top three barriers you might anticipate your church would run into while discerning a Sacred Settlement?
- 5 What do you believe are the top three strengths your church has that could make a Sacred Settlement at your church successful and bring Full Community to life?
- 6 Begin to dream and visualize what is possible - imagine what your church's life could look like by planting a Sacred Settlement. What do you see?
- 7 How does your church currently respond directly or indirectly to the needs of the homeless poor? Other than a Sacred Settlement, what other things are you considering to respond to the needs of chronic homelessness?

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