

### ESTABLISHING OR REVIEWING A DECISION-MAKING PROCESS<sup>1</sup>

1. At a meeting of your collaborative, brainstorm a list of the kinds of decisions that will need to be made (e.g. budget decisions, hiring decisions, strategic planning decisions, discussions monitoring the collaborative process, etc.).
2. For each kind of decision, use the questions below to help guide your answers to determine what type of decision-making process is most appropriate for your partnership:
  - What are the politics of the decision?
  - What groups must be represented in the decision-making body?
  - Who understands the issue best?
  - How important is this issue?
3. Place each kind of decision in one of the following columns, according to your discussion.

Majority Vote	Unanimous Vote	Task Force/ Subcommittee	Consensus

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<sup>1</sup> From "Building Community Collaboratives," Family Resource Coalition of America, p. 16