Understanding Privilege: Inspiring Inclusive Leadership

Session Description: Theresa Pizzuto and Jody Usher, Co-Founders of *It's Our Privilege!*, will conduct a lively, experiential and highly informative presentation utilizing interactive exercises designed to enhance intercultural skills and develop new diversity awareness using privilege as a lens. The session will be oriented toward organizational leaders, volunteers, and staff. Our definition of leadership is anyone who acts in a way that makes things go well. Participants will leave ready to put new learning into practice. Resources will be provided.

Key Outcomes:

- 1. Understanding how diversity and privilege affect interactions within organizations and those they serve
- 2. The critical role that listening plays in awareness of generalizations and stereotypes and why this is important to leadership development
- 3. The importance of empathy, non-judgmental attitudes and respect to collaboration across differences
- 4. Practical applications for leaders at any organizational level