

## **Transcript: Tapping into the power of community**

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*[ON SCREEN: What's needed to build community power?]*

**Ivory Clarke, National Academy of Medicine:** In order to build community power, we need to truly honor, respect, and value the wisdom and expertise that's within community.

**Derek M. Griffith, Georgetown University:** We need to remember that power comes from strengths and not from weakness.

**Jesselly De La Cruz, Latino Action Network Foundation:** From a nonprofit standpoint, we need capacity, right? We need an ability to provide opportunities for people to come and work with us, to be on the ground and having to build those relationships and communities.

**Bishop Marcia Dinkins, Black Women Rising:** If there's one person who's healing and not bleeding on everybody, then that person can stop people from being triaged and they can start helping them to heal. And then that way we can build a community. So it starts one person at a time.

**LJ Punch, The T St. Louis:** We don't have to do this by ourselves, that we can work together. In fact, that's the only way we're gonna make it.

**Rhonda Broussard, Beloved Community:** Everyone is still trying to hold onto something that makes them feel powerful, and we're afraid to open our hands and say, actually, if I share this with you, we can do more together.

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