## Preparing For Your Next Life Phase

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#### Welcome

- Purpose of session
- Overview
  - Share our hopes, dreams & fears
  - Identify the big questions
  - Provide five tips for getting
  - Discuss encore resources
  - Suggest ways that your State Associations can start your own Encore Program (with our help if desired)
  - Respond to the big questions
- What we hope you will get out of the exchange

Asking the big questions ...?



# Sharing One Hope, One Fear & One Big Question

- Use large index card
  - On one side of the card, identify one hope or dream & one fear for your encore phase
  - On the other side, identify one big question that is unresolved in your mind about your transition into your next life phase
- Share in pairs
- Sampling in large group
- Record the big questions



#### Five Tips for Getting Ready

- 1. Reflect
  - ☐ What would energize you?
  - What would be fulfilling or fun?
- 2. Share your thinking with your partner, friends, and trusted colleagues
  - ...& get feedback
- 3. Connect with others in respect to your encore interest(s)
  - ☐ Consultants, interim managers, car restorers, sailors
  - ☐ Pick their brains
  - ☐ What energizes them? Why?
  - What is difficult or challenging?
  - ☐ What are some lessons or tips based on their experience?





### Five Tips for Getting Ready (con't)

- 4. Try out or rehearse your encore activity
- 5. Begin laying the ground
  - ☐ Let people know of your interest
  - ☐ Get an informal peer coach
  - ☐ Get the garage ready for any car restoration work or get the tech (& tech support) you need
  - □ Develop a sample syllabus
  - ☐ Get business cards





## Steps for State Associations To Start an Encore Program

- 1. Promote the existing resources available through Cal-ICMA
- 2. Form an Association committee to promote "encore manager" activities & resources
- Create a few small program efforts, such as a round table discussion on encore opportunities at an upcoming Association meeting
- 4. Contact for help or resources any of the Cal-ICMA Encore Committee members:

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### Responding to the Big Questions





