# **BRIDGING SOCIAL CAPITAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

1. Last month, did you do any work for pay?

o Yes o No

1.1 In what industry/occupation?\_\_\_\_\_

1.2. If you responded NO, go to question number 2. If you responded YES on question number 1, how often do you socialize (i.e. go out for drinks, visit each other's homes) with co-workers who...

(a) Are of a different nationality?
o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often
(b) Speak a different language?
o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often
(c) Are from a different race/ethnic background than you?
o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often
(d) Have different political opinions?
o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often

(e) Have a different level of education?

o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often

Scoring: Never =1 Very often: 4 Sum between 5 to 20

# 2. Do you currently participate in community activities related to ...?

Religion	□Yes	No
Senior Citizens	□Yes	□No
Literary/Art discussion	□Yes	□No
Youth	□Yes	□No
Sport	□Yes	□No
Neighborhood	□Yes	□No
Political	□Yes	□No
School Service	□Yes	□No
Labor Union	□Yes	□No
Veterans	□Yes	□No

Professional or Academic	□Yes	No	
People that share your nationality	□Yes	□No	
Hobbies (e.g. gardening)	□Yes	No	
The school of your kids	□Yes	No	Not applicable
The school you are attending	□Yes	□No	Not applicable

Other:\_\_\_\_\_

Sum number of community activities. From 0 to 16.

# 2.1. If you responded YES to at least one of the categories above, can you please indicate which one do you spend the most time doing?

# In this community activity, how often do you socialize with people who...:

(a) Are of a different nationality? o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often (b) Speak a different language? o Not often o Somewhat o Very often o Never (c) Are from a different race/ethnic background to you? o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often (d) Have different political opinions? o Not often o Somewhat o Very often o Never (e) Are from a different educational background? o Never o Not often o Somewhat o Very often Scoring: Never =1 Very often: 4 Sum between 5 to 20

# 2.2. In this community activity, are other participants "similar to you" or "different from you" regarding... ?

Age

- Mostly similar to you
- Somewhat similar to you
- Somewhat different from you
- Different from you

Job

Mostly similar to you

Somewhat similar to you

Somewhat different from you

<u>Nationality</u>

Mostly similar to you

Somewhat similar to you

Somewhat different from you

Different from you

Ethnic group

Mostly similar to you

Somewhat similar to you

Somewhat different from you

Different from you

Income

Mostly similar to you

Somewhat similar to you

Somewhat different from you

Different from you

Level of education

- Mostly similar to you
- Somewhat similar to you
- Somewhat different from you
- Different from you

Main language spoken

Mostly similar to you

Somewhat similar to you

Somewhat different from you

Different from you

Scoring: Mostly similar to you: 1 Different from you: 4 Sum between 7 to 28

# 3. Do you know anyone in your life who can assist you with the following kinds of situations?

# **Can babysit for you in an emergency** Yes No Not applicable If yes, who is that person? (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can lend you money if you need it (eg. at least \$500)

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Write a good reference/recommendation for a landlord?

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can write a good reference/recommendation letter when you are applying for a job Yes No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can provide advice dealing with immigration authorities (USCIS)

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can serve as a sponsor if you were to apply for a Green Card

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can provide a recommendation to find a good doctor \*

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Provide advice about local schools

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Provide advice about preparing income taxes

☐Yes ☐No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

### **Can help with small jobs around the house (e.g. painting, home maintenance)** Yes No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member

o Neighbor o other

# Can give you a ride (airport, mall) if you need it

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# **Can employ you if you need a job** Yes No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can find a holiday job for you, a family member or a friend

Yes No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

#### Can give advice on matters of law (e.g. problems with landlord, boss)

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

#### Can do your shopping when you (and your household members) are ill □Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can come to visit you from out of town if you become ill or need assistance

□Yes □No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

# Can help you if you need assistance with political issues because he/she is active in a politic party Yes No

If yes, who is that person (check all that apply):

o Acquaintance/friend o Workplace supervisor o Workplace co-worker

o Family member/relative o Church member/ Religious services member o Neighbor o other

Yes=1 No=0

Sum between 0 to 16

People who can assist is merely informative and not part of the scoring. The information is collected because it can be useful depending on the scope and aim of the study.

#### 4. Speaking generally, how much would you say that you can trust:

### Part I: Trust institutions/corporations/companies

# The national media

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

The local media o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

Local politicians o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

**State politicians** o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

National politicians o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

Local school authorities o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

**The police** o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

**The court system** o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

#### Health care providers

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

#### Corporations

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

#### Local businesses

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

#### Trade unions

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

# Local religious leaders

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all

#### Local community leaders

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all o Not applicable

Scoring: Very much: 4; Not at all: 1 Sum between 14 and 56

### Part II: Trust immediate people

#### Your current employer

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all o Not applicable

#### Your coworkers

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all o Not applicable

#### Your neighbors\*

o Very much o Somewhat o Not very much o Not at all o Not applicable

Scoring: Very much: 4; Not at all: 1 Sum between 2 and 8

### \*\*Fill out only if you were born outside the US

5. Are you...?

Single

Cohabiting with/ married to a US citizen

Cohabiting with/married to a non-US citizen who is (check all that apply):

o White

- o Hispanic or Latino
- o Black or African American
- o American Indian or Alaskan Native
- o Asian
- o Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- -Other\_\_\_\_\_

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The final score is the sum of all the dimensions. The higher the score, the more bridging social capital.

# \*Items suggested to be deleted after the pscyhometric properties test. The scoring is based on the items remaining.