

Solidaire's Parenting & Wealth Circle - Description

Title: *Parenting & Wealth Circle*

Description: Parenting and caregiving is an incredible journey & one that can reshape our sense of purpose, vision for the future, understanding of what we need etc. Parenting with wealth poses a specific set of questions and conundrums that are challenging to navigate alone. This circle is for Solidaire members seeking community around the deep and hard questions related to parenting & wealth redistribution that are not often discussed.

This is not a course on how-to be a better parent, nor is it a space to judge or be judged on parenting styles/philosophies. Parents/caregivers have enough shit that we are holding, this is a space to come as you are, to vent, to talk story and release.....and to ultimately find community with other Solidaire members along a similar journey.

Note - this circle is not only for parents. If you're not a parent, but would like to talk about Q's that come up around wealth, parents, caregiving, and families, you're welcome to join!

Timeline: Open meeting Monday, Oct 10, 7:30-8:30 ET/6:30-7:30 CT/5:30-6:30 MT/4:30-5:30 PT. Starting in Nov/Dec of 2022, meeting monthly in 1-hr sessions.

Goals of the Circle:

1. Support creation of a community that can learn from and lean on each other around the subject of parenting and partnering with wealth, where we are supported to show up as our authentic selves
2. Support parenting topics arising from the collective wisdom and curiosity of the group
3. Work through the stigma's of talking about money to build community centering honesty, vulnerability, and realness.

Session Topics We Hope to Explore:

1. *Communication* - how do we talk about \$ and wealth with children of different ages?
2. *Socialization* - What are the messages/socialization we got around \$ from our parents, how do we untangle them so we don't pass-on unwanted examples to our children?
3. *Generational Wealth Transfer* - How much do we keep? How much do we redistribute? How much is too much? How much is enough?
 - a. What tools, timelines are we using
4. *Navigating differences in our extended families* -
 - a. How do we relate to other family members - grandmas, uncles, grandparents - who have different politics/values around \$ then we do?
 - b. How do we describe these differences to our kids?
5. *How does \$ show up in our most-intimate relationships?*

- a. Cross-class, race, cultural differences in relationships
- 6. *Allowance* - and how to approach it
- 7. *College funds & Estate-planning*
- 8. *Wealth redistribution in non-traditional and/or poly families*
- 9. *How do we teach/discuss the history of where our wealth came from to our children?*
 - a. How we balance passing down privilege not just wealth

Facilitator Bios w/ Pictures:



Evie Lovett: Evie is a VT-based parent, donor, artist, teacher, teaching artist, photographer, facilitator of story sharing, encaustic painter, collaborative maker of public art, dedicated to connecting people to each other and place through art, story, and active participatory engagement.

Beatrice “Bici” Barbareschi - “Bici” mothers Ruben(2013) and Sasha(2017). She is originally from Italy and has been living abroad for the past 20 years, having made Chicago her home in 2017. In 2020 Bici leaned into the social justice world and has been feeling a lot of relief in the companionship of similarly invested human beings ever since. Her past includes a degree in Feminist Studies, lots of learning around contemporary performance and dance, several years of practicing and teaching Yoga and Pilates, and a deep commitment to Birth Justice and Equity. (Bici is pronounced “beachy.”)



Laura Horwitz - Laura is a catalyst for learning, change and giving. She has nearly 20 years of experience in community organizing, training and capacity building, program design and evaluation. She currently serves as the Senior Manager of Planning and Partnerships at Generate Health, an organization focused on closing racial disparities in infant mortality in St. Louis and maintains an independent consulting practice where she supports organizations and individuals committed to racial equity (lauramakeschange.org). Laura has been instrumental in forming STL Mutual Aid and its financial solidarity network in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, is an advisory board member for College Kids, a board member of the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis, and served as the

founding chair of the City of Clayton's Equity Commission.