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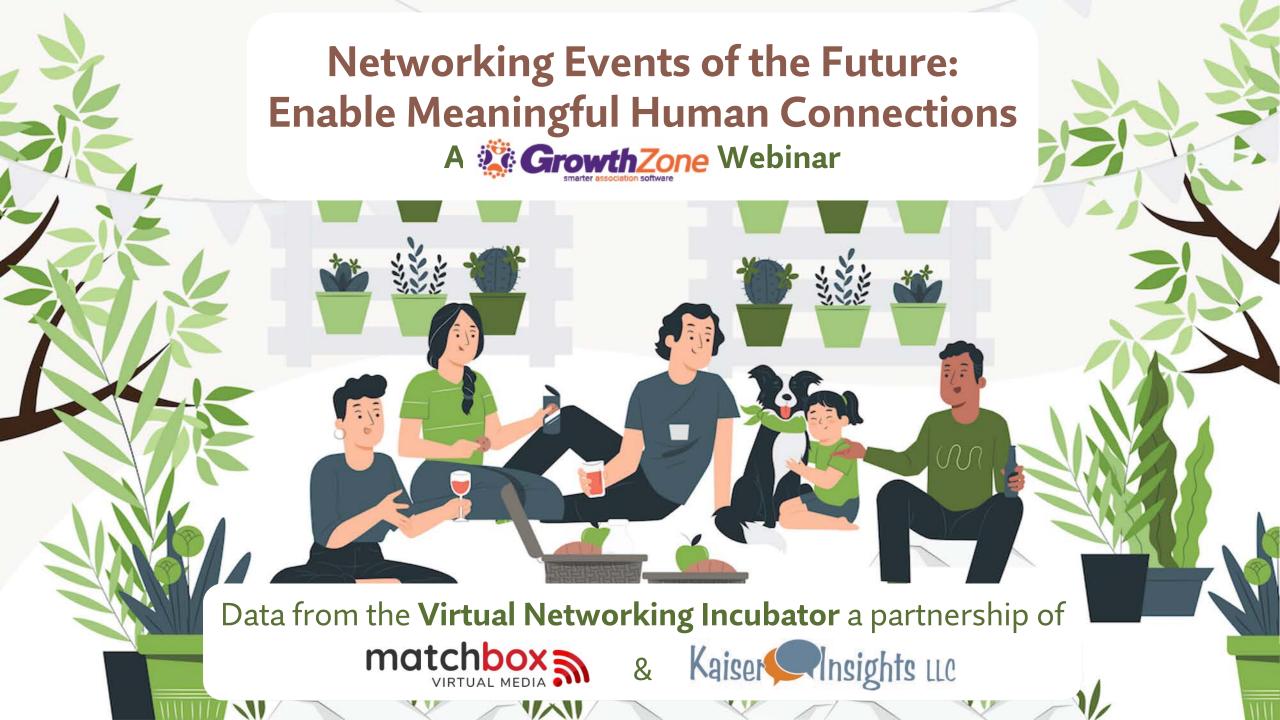
# Networking Events of the Future:

How to Enable Meaningful Human Connections

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## **Great Networking Experiences Feel Great**







# **Bad Networking Experiences Feel Terrible**







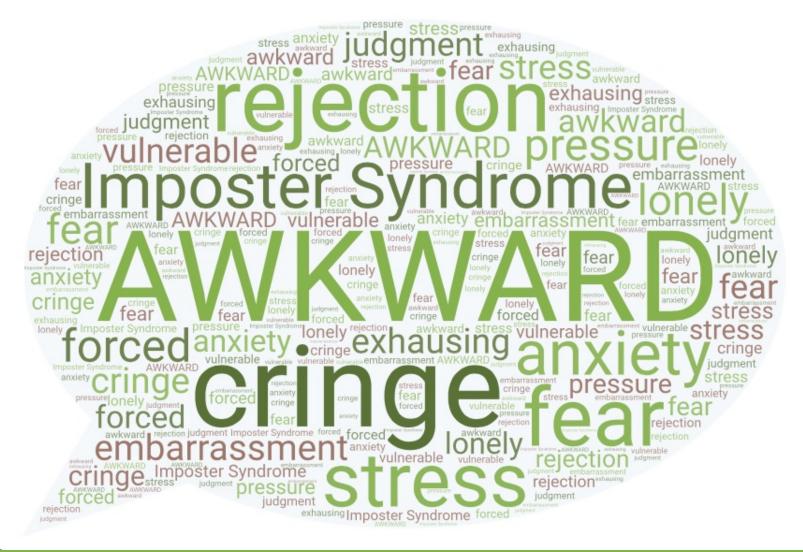








## "Networking" is a Trigger Word







What are some positive outcomes that your members get from networking?







#### Networking Helps Participants

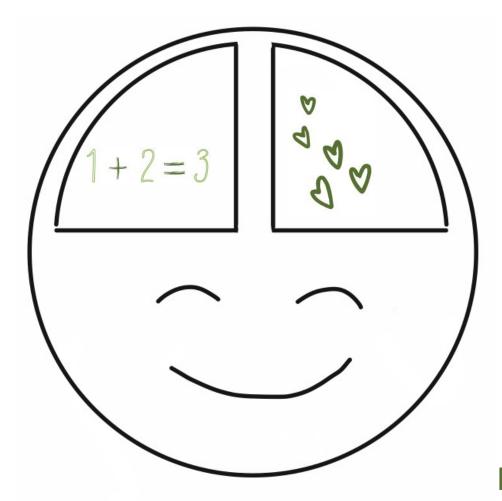
Prepare For a Job Change

**Spot Trends** 

**Share Ideas** 

**Identify Solutions** 

Discover Vendors or Consultants



**Make Friends** 

Feel a Sense of Belonging

Find or Be a Mentor

**Identify Future Collaborators** 

**Get Emotional Support** 

**Normalize Experiences** 





# Networking = Reception





## 3 Categories of Virtual Networking







Feel Connectedness
With the Community

Solve a Problem

Identify People to Connect With





# Feel Connectedness With the Larger Community













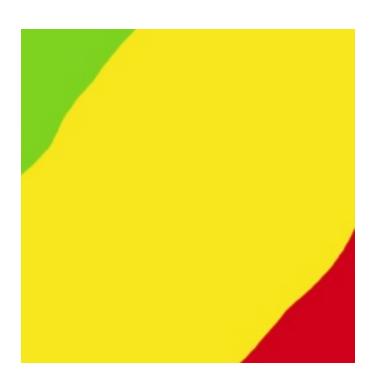






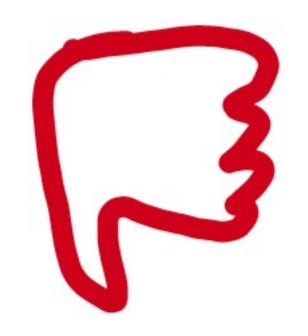




























# Do you like networking?



## Solve a Problem







#### 3 Problem Types

Change existing "thing"



Fresh ideas





How did you get to the job you currently do? What is your favorite dinosaur? (No one ever asks grown-ups 3. that!) To participate, click on the sticky note icon on the left to add your own answer.:) Don't forget to add your nar ▣ What's your go-to dinner when you have no time to cook? Who was your idol growing 缸

What is the most unusual job vou've ever had?

What brings you the

to meeting today?

What are yours

goals for the

meeting?

If you HAD to sing

matter of life and

why!), what song

death, don't ask me

would you choose?

karaoke (it's a

-Jen Alluisi

What's your favorite food? I feel this question can reveal a lot about a person. and it's fairly low pressure.

If you could

superpower,

be and why?

what would it

Elizabeth

have any



Would you rather be

able to: - Talk with

animals, or -Speak

all foreign

languages?

If you weren't a XYZ what would you be? Elizabeth

When you were a kid

the town

where you

lived? Allen

how big was

Are you from here (town) originally or how did you come to be here?

Using the the first letter of your first name select an adjective that describes you. Put it on your tent sign. Elizabeth

What brings you to this place today, in this room, in other words why have you chosen to be here? Elizabeth

What is one thing that nobody else knows about vou? Elizabeth

If you had to give a

30 minute presentation right

now with no

topic would you

choose? - Meagan

preparation, what

Seen any good movies/tv-shows or read any books lately you'd recommend?

What are some Ice-Breaker questions you like to ask?

> tend to work best when they are related to the purpose of the event or a participants share. Otherwise they can feel invasive for some participants. I also think they work in small groups better

If you could do any other profession, what would it be and why?

Here's an ice breaker generator for other ideas.... you can filter suggestions by creative, practical and reflective: https://checkin.daresa y.io/

How did you get your name?

If you could

an animal,

what would

you be and

why?

choose to be

Pick a coin from your purse or pocket: What was happening in your life during the year on the coin. Elizabeth

What is the best advice you ever received?

Elizabeth

What would the world be like if humans didn't have to sleep?

Diplomacy breakupys The answer to

ruined a relationship

what board

game almost

How

would a

dog wear

pants

What is the most random pet/animal you've ever owned?

What kind of music do you like to jam to? (And) what is your favorite song?

What do you want to be remembered for?

What has you most optimistic today?

Tell us about vour pets! Is a hotdog a sandwich?

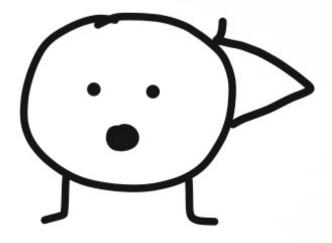
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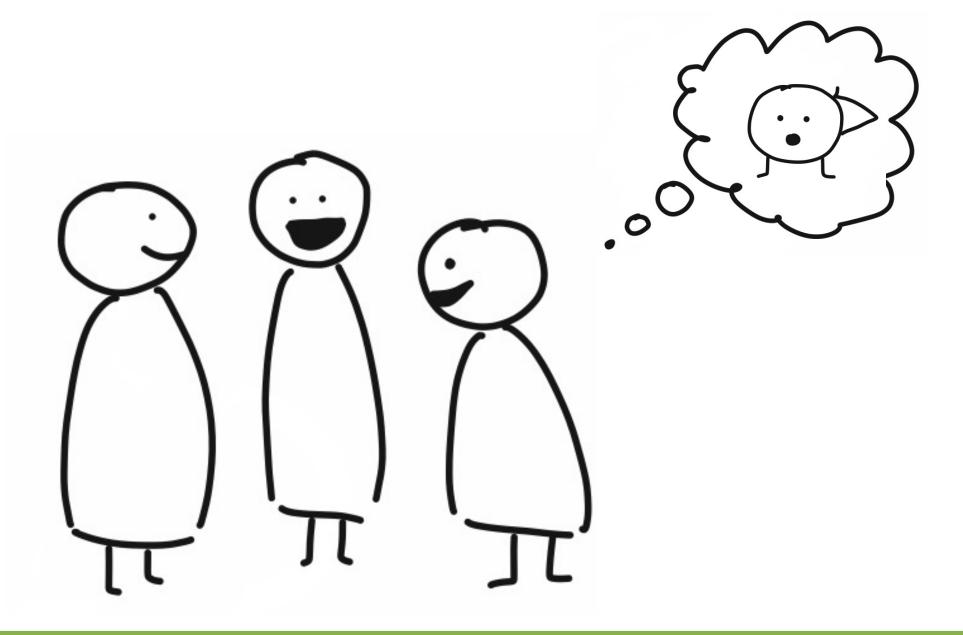
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**New thoughts** 









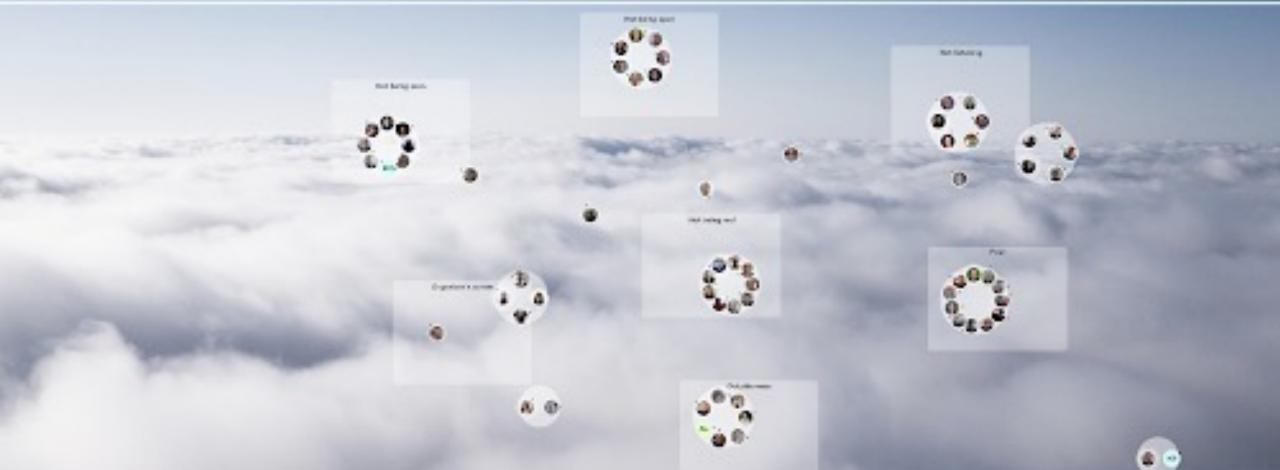












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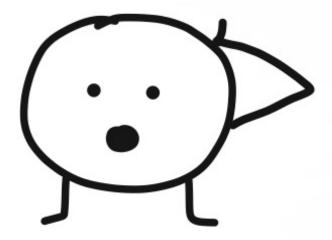
Whole Industry Challenge

Change existing "thing"

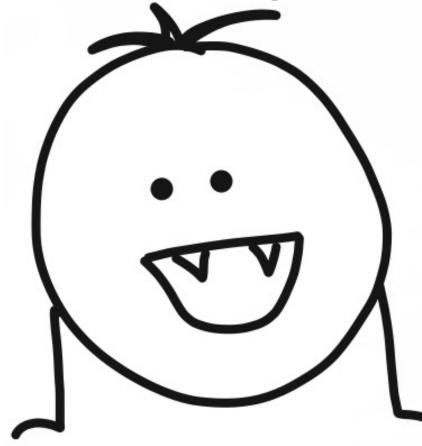


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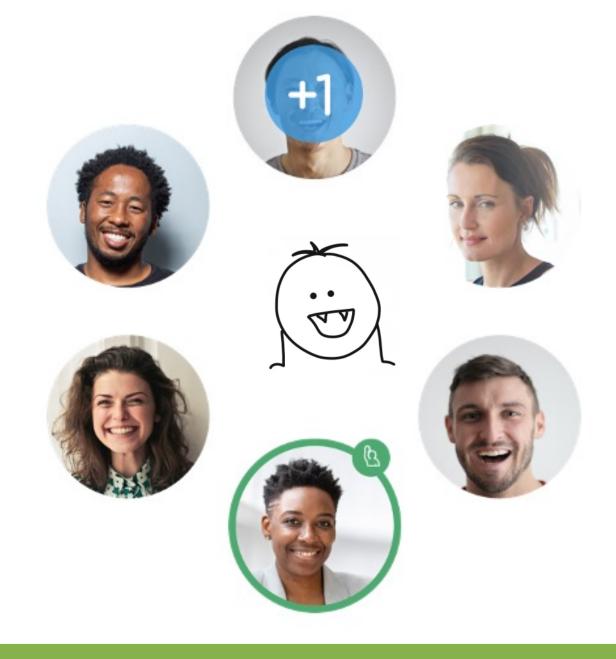
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**Collaborative Solutions** 



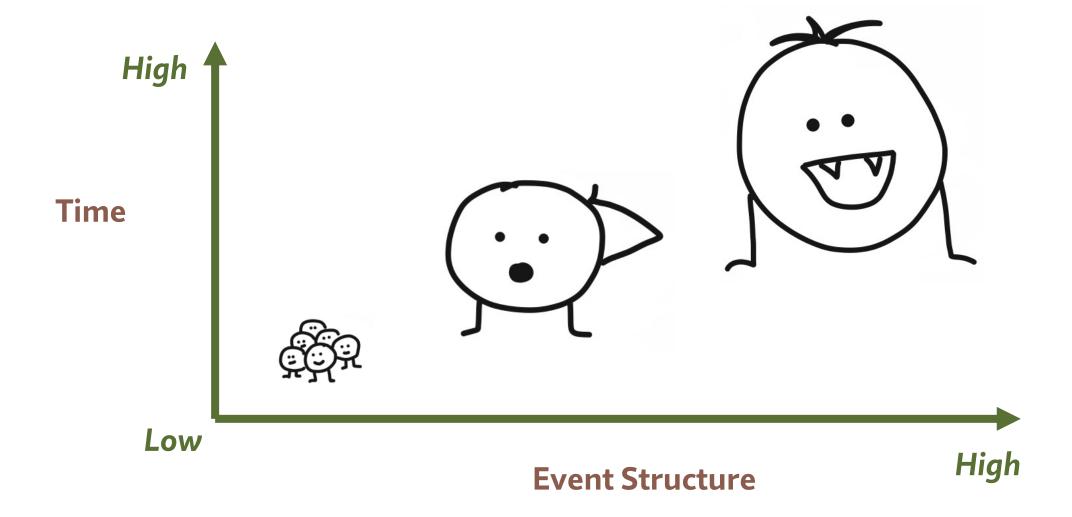








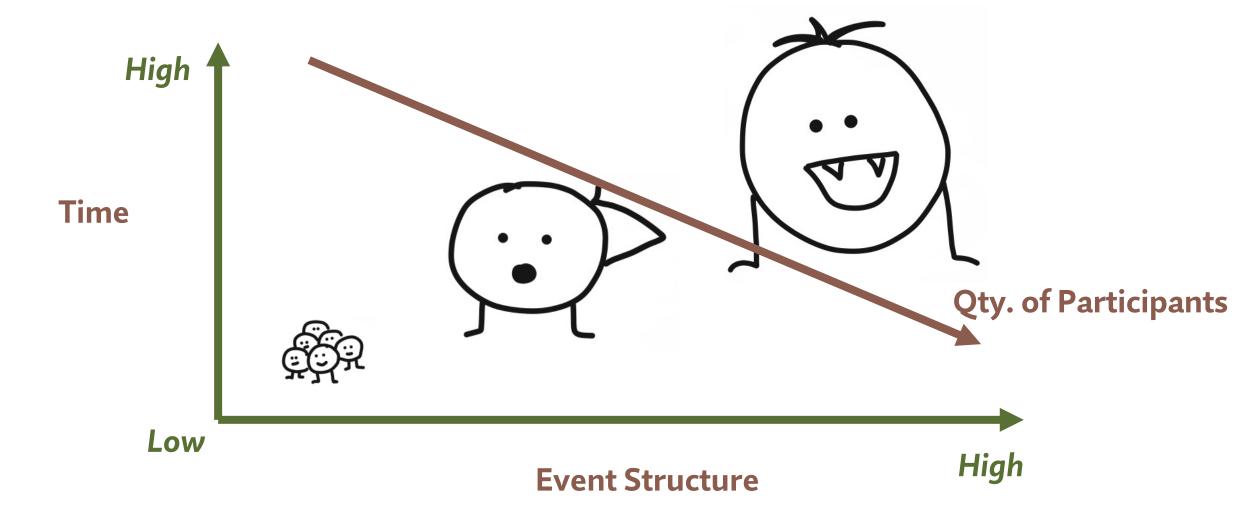
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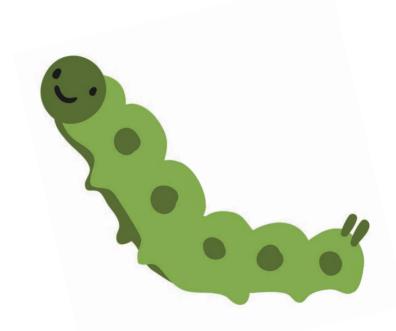
#### **Problem Size Guide**







# Identify People to Connect With













# Building Blocks for Great Networking (Virtual, In-Person, or Hybrid)





#### Create a Safe Space

#### Golden Rule Haiku

Learn. Share. Try. Be kind. Support all. Be generous.

Be here with purpose.





#### **Communicate in a New Tone**







#### Plan a Lot of Structure







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