# WELCOME!



### In preparation for today's program, please:

- Try to be as present as possible
- Remove distractions if possible
- Get a beverage
- Get note-taking items
- Prepare to participate

### VIRGINIA BANKERS ASSOCIATION



## **OUR MISSION**









The Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities works with schools, businesses, and communities to achieve success through inclusion

# **GROUP NORMS**



- One speaker at a time
- Use "I" statements
- · Ouch, then educate
- Maintain confidentiality
- Share the air

# WHAT IS CLASS?



Class is a relative social ranking based on income, wealth, status, and/or power.

- Felice Yeskel, 1990

# EXPLORING OUR CLASS BACKGROUNDS





### REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- What stood out to you as you reviewed and completed the class inventory?
- What feelings come up for you as you think about your role within the banking industry?
- How do you own understandings of class impact decisions you make on behalf of the bank where you are employed?
- What aspects of understanding socio-economic status do you think are most important for VBA members?
- What specific things will you do in your job role to support a culture of understanding the varying levels of socio-economic status?

## **BROOKINGS VIDEO**





# STAY IN TOUCH



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