Site Visits

Site visits should be substantive in nature and not solely a tour of a facility. The most successful site visits include an orientation to the organization - including what need the organization exists to address, how it is structured to address that need, and what other ways Americans are tackling this need - a tour of the facility or opportunity to meet with beneficiaries, and an opportunity for a discussion with a senior leader of the organization. When selecting site visits, Institute Staff will prioritize organizations that have either an organizational- or staff-level interest in establishing relationships with Fellows so that the Fellows can utilize site visits as additional networking opportunities. Site visits should relate to the week’s academic content and theme, and must highlight diverse viewpoints and a balance of political perspectives.

While most site visits may be organized for the full cohort of 25 Fellows, time will be set aside for tailored/specialized site visits for individual Fellows or small groups that can be organized by sub-themes.