

# H.O.S.T. connect groups

*God wants to use you to grow other people.*

One of the harder parts of launching Connect Groups is finding someone to host the group. Being a host isn't hard, and you don't have to have all the answers or be "in charge". A Connect Group Host merely makes sure everything runs smooth and everyone is on the same page.

We use the acronym H.O.S.T. to describe the qualities we look for in a Host. A Host is asked to commit to:

**H – Have a heart for people**

**O – Open a place**

**S – Serve a snack**

**T – Turn on the video**

## What does a Connect Group Host do?

We have a whole section of our parish website devoted to helping Connect Group Hosts have a successful Connect Group. When you are ready to launch a group and have your first meeting, you can go to [www.sfatx.org/connect](http://www.sfatx.org/connect) to find the "Connect Groups Launch" video series. This series includes a short video to watch, a leader guide, and a participant guide. The leader guide will give you suggestions on how to help the night go well and what the flow of a night should look like.

And that's it! Each week you'll open a place, serve a light snack or drink, and turn on the video. Reading the leader guide and watching the video will help prep you for the meeting. You'll also help everyone keep in touch by collecting everyone's contact info and making sure everyone is on the same page and informed about what's coming next.

If you're Hosting a group, be sure to check out the website for more resources for Connect Group Hosts at [www.sfatx.org/connect](http://www.sfatx.org/connect)

And if you have questions or need anything don't hesitate to reach out!

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