8:30 – 9 a.m.  Registration and continental breakfast
Continental breakfast includes assorted muffins, pastries, fruit juices and coffee.

9:00 – 9:15 a.m.  Welcome and overview
Melissa Neal, President, Oklahoma Jump$tart Coalition
Steven Shepelwich, Senior Community Affairs Advisor, Oklahoma City Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City

9:15 – 12 p.m.  Exploring the Gap: A poverty simulation
Led by Lois Kitsch, Program Director with the National Credit Union Foundation, participants will role-play lifestyles of the impoverished. Each participant will be given the task of providing for his or her family using community services and resources available to the poor. The objective is to help participants understand the challenges low-income families face when providing for their loved ones.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.  Lunch
Fajita bar catered by Ted’s Café Escondido

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.  Understanding the Gap: Interactive exercise
An exercise in exploring diversity by considering how individual values, backgrounds and experiences can break down stereotypes and assumptions that are a product of our culture.

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.  Bridging the Gap: Solution-focused roundtables
Participants will engage in small group discussion, reflecting on lessons learned and brainstorming methods for providing financial education to better reach those in need.

2:30 – 3:00 p.m.  Identifying resources and responses
A panel of service providers will educate participants about programs and resources available to help financial educators better assist the populations they serve.

3:00 p.m.  Adjourn