

Local Foods, Local Places



PROGRAM PURPOSE

Desired outcomes include:

- ⦿ More economic opportunities for local farmers and businesses.
- ⦿ Better access to healthy local food, especially among disadvantaged groups.
- ⦿ Revitalized downtowns, Main Streets, and existing neighborhoods.

PLUS... an opportunity to shape how federal agency partners can most effectively use our programs to meet communities' needs.

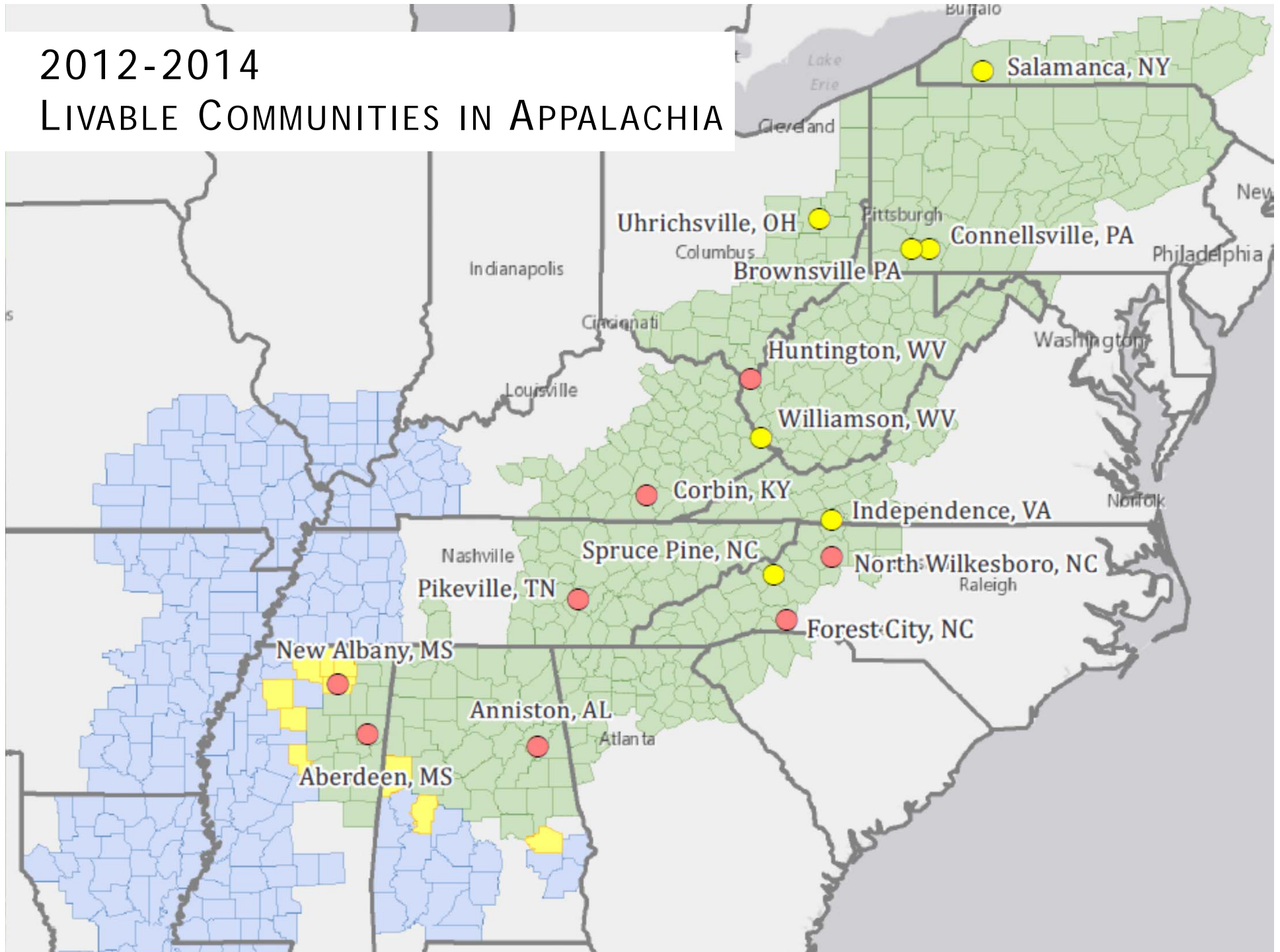


PROGRAM PARTNERS

- ◎ U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- ◎ U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- ◎ U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
- ◎ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- ◎ Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC)
- ◎ Delta Regional Authority (DRA)
- ◎ *Additional participation from:* U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; State, regional and local agencies and organizations

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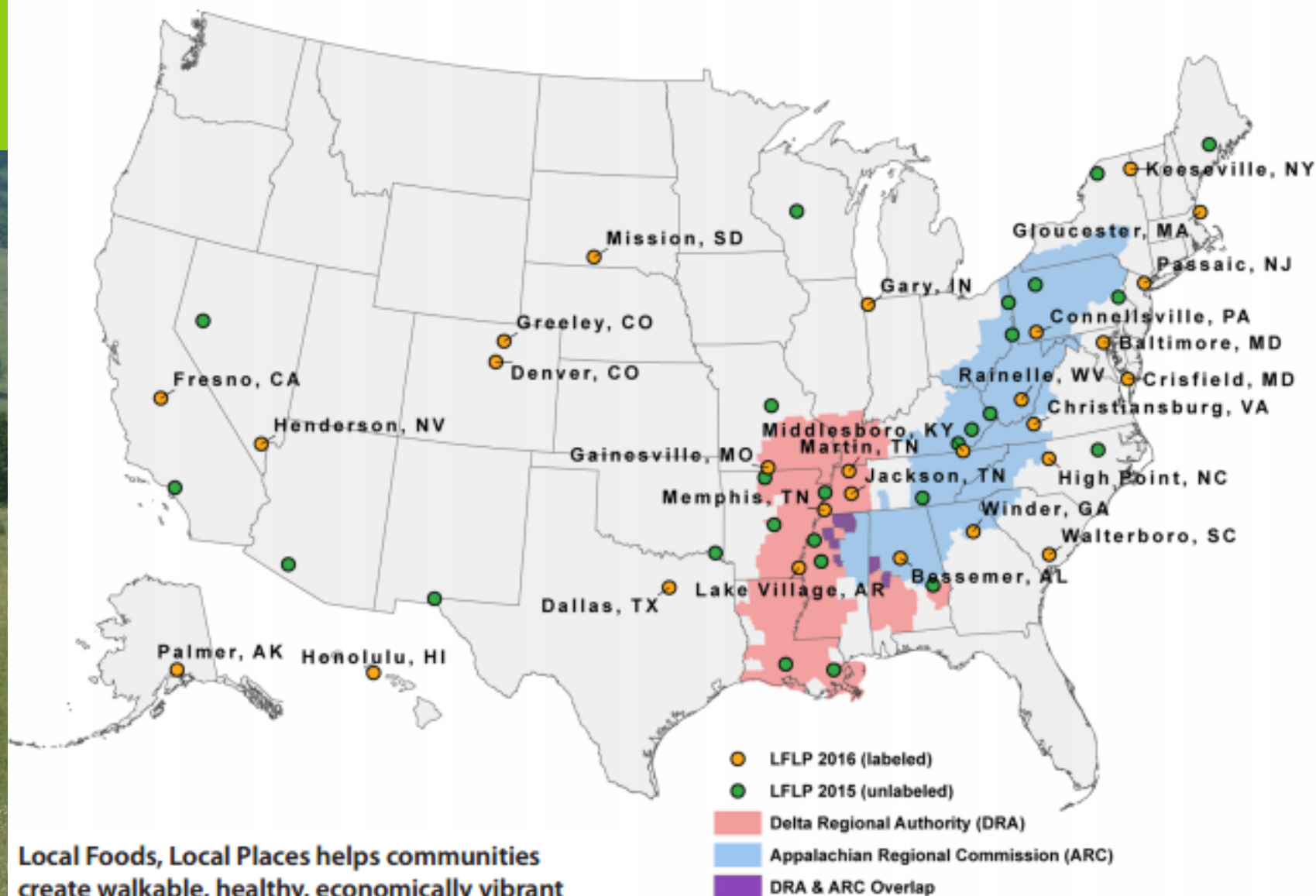
LIVABLE COMMUNITIES IN APPALACHIA





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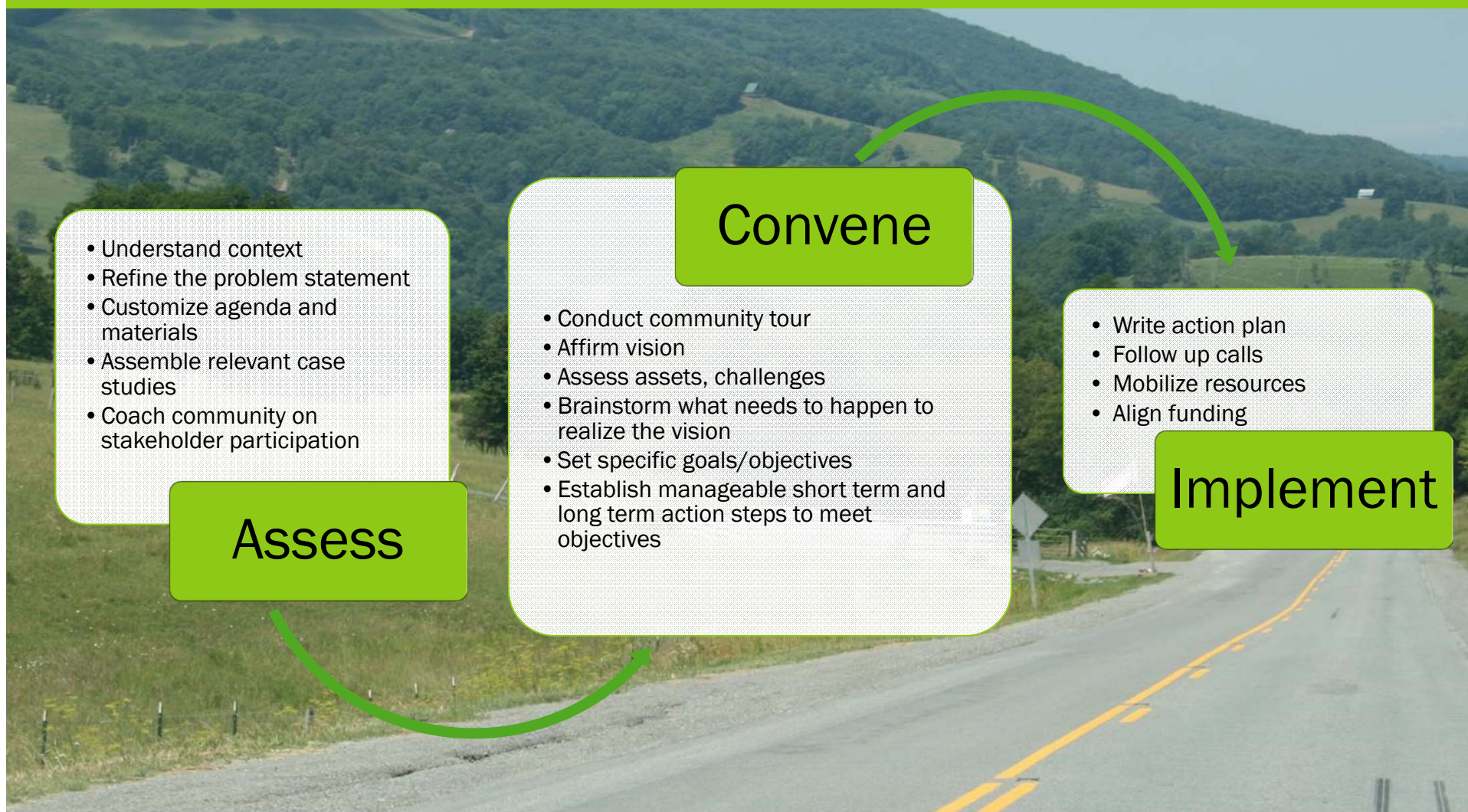
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Local Foods, Local Places helps communities create walkable, healthy, economically vibrant neighborhoods through the development of local food systems.

Sources: Local Foods, Local Places
U.S. Census Bureau

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE APPROACH



ACTION PLAN AND RESOURCES

- ◎ Document the process, stakeholders, and actions
- ◎ Provide links and bibliography of additional resources (both technical and funding)

Sustainable Communities in Appalachia Technical Assistance Program



Strengthening the
Local Foods System:
Actions and Strategies
for the City of Pikeville
and Bledsoe County,
Tennessee

June 4, 2014



FOCUS AREAS OF ASSISTANCE

Local Food Systems

- Farmers Markets
- Food Hubs
- Community Gardens
- Incubator Kitchens
- CSA's
- Co-Ops

Placemaking and Smart Growth

- Downtown revitalization
- Walk, bike, transit and shorter auto access
- Compact, mixed use patterns
- Rural/working land preservation

Economic Development

- Downtown revitalization
- Increase agricultural based economic impact
- Business incubation

Public Health

- Access to healthy foods
- Active lifestyles
- Access to healthcare
- Addressing poverty issues

Equitable Development

- Emerging topic area



Goals

- Revitalize downtown
- Help Keeseville residents live better, healthier, and more prosperously
- Attract tourists who visit often, stay longer, and spend more
- Create new partnerships locally and regionally

KEESEVILLE, NY

Goals

- Strengthen culture, heritage, identity, and sense of place
- Advance public health, nutrition awareness, and food access
- Promote and advance the seafood industry through branding, marketing, and outreach
- Connect and grow the local seafood economy



GLOUCESTER, MA

Goals

- Revitalize downtown as a local foods and arts destination
- Grow the farmers market with programs to support existing vendors, attract new vendors, and reach low-income residents
- Support operations of the community kitchen to meet the needs of local producers
- Develop a strategy to foster local and regional collaboration and create new partnerships



WALTERBORO, SC

TIMELINE

- ◎ New call for letters of interest in early October
- ◎ Expect to work with at least 18 communities in 2017
- ◎ Selected communities receive:
 - ◎ A team of contractors and federal staff with expertise in community development and local food systems
 - ◎ Organization and facilitation of a public workshop and stakeholder gathering in the community
 - ◎ Help creating a detailed action plan on what needs to get done and how to do it.