

Part 1

Creating a Strong Base for Active and Sustained Community Engagement

Section 2: Tapping Into Local Networks

Activities for a Community Hub

Who: Engagement team/grantees, community advisory team, community organization partners, community members.

When: Before, during, and after the engagement process.

1. WHY AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY HUB?

Shared Histories

How did we get to where we are? Develop a shared understanding of our deep, systemic and entangled crises.

Coming Together Towards Solutions

How have people dealt with crises in the past and today? How can we use what we have and come together today?

What is an Ecosystem?

How do these alternative systems fit together? Learn how to think about how all activities in a place fit together and impact one another.

2. OPERATE TOGETHER

Who are we?

Learning healthy cooperation, group process and dealing with conflict.

Bring together a team

Mapping the “we”

Map the neighborhood, learn its history and build upon what we have in common.

Neighborhood maps, relationship diagrams

Our diverse needs

Understand our contested space - create a process for dealing with conflict.

Relationship diagrams

3. CREATE TOGETHER

Needs Assessment

Explore what resources are needed, through a SWOT analysis, uncovering who and what we can rely on, and what the community priorities are.

SWOT analysis

Value and Vision

Develop a set of shared values to drive a vision for your work, using collaboration, previous activities, and storytelling.

Define shared values

Creating a Plan

Use visioning and activities to build upon your community assets and develop a plan that reaches and empowers diverse community members.

Engagement strategy

4. INFLUENCE CHANGE TOGETHER

Host organizations, events, listening sessions, workshops, and more.

Provide important context for programs, projects, investments, and initiatives.

Build community, deepen trust, and build relationships through engagement.

5. STAY CONNECTED

Online and in the neighborhood.

On development progress in the community.

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Foster long-standing relationships.



Project team + community advisory team

It takes an integrated network to build integrated ideas, share information and involve everybody.



Community Hub

Community organizations hosting smaller scale groups



Interacting with individuals in-person or virtually



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