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WECAN COMMUNITY ASSESSMENTS



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PARTICIPATORY ACTION RESEARCH

TOOLS FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS

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WALKABOUT BRAINSTORMING



What is a walkabout brainstorm?

- Significant quantity of ideas
- Energy boost and social incentive for small groups of participants to stay engaged.

How do I use them?

- Concise description of the task
- Suspend judgement
- Social interaction

When can I use them in my community?

- Generate solutions
- Create new plans/goals
- Assess current knowledge of topics
- Acknowledge obstacles



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LET'S TRY IT!

Start moving around the room and add your ideas to
the posters.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS



What are community conversations?

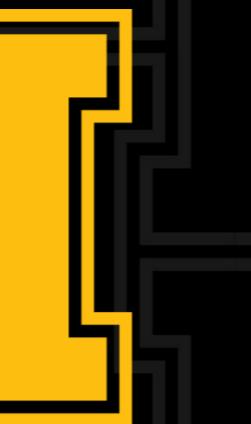
Small -group facilitated dialogues that bring different kinds of people together around a public concern and create a space that enables constructive, respectful conversation

How do I use them?

- Follow a structured process
- Discussion materials
- Shared Understanding

When can I use them in my programming?

- Member check
- Measure progress
- Document change

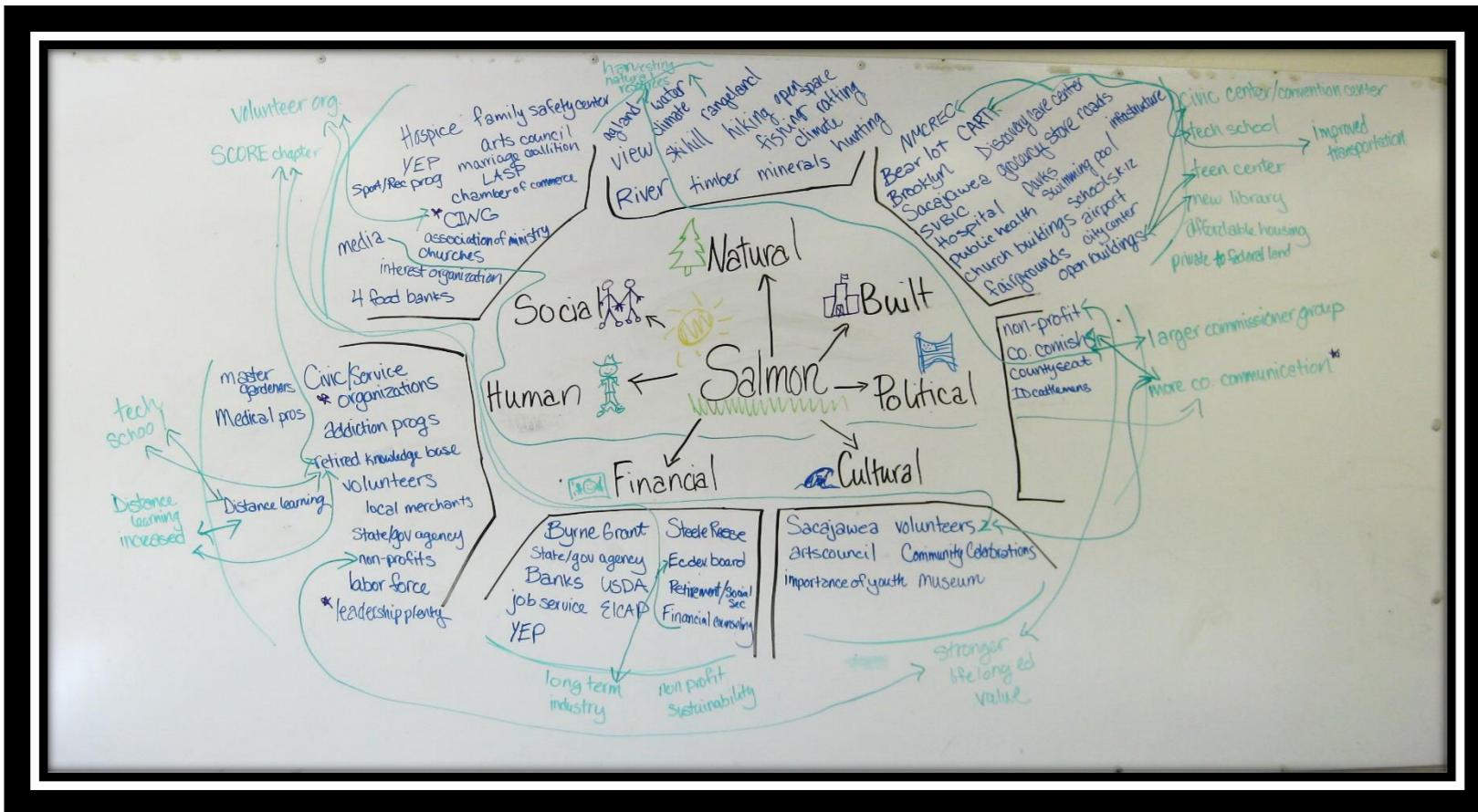


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At Your Table: Talk about what leadership
means to you.

ASSET MAPPING



What is an asset map?

- Focusing on the positive
 - Identify their strengths and resources
 - Visualize and determine how to maximize their impact
 - Identifying needs gaps

How do I use them?

- ID asset categories
 - Focus on the positive
 - Connect the “dots”
 - ID needs

When can I use them in my programming?

- Use to brainstorm assets and linkages in organizations
 - Keep discussions positive
 - Build partnerships



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Let's list the assets we have.

COMMUNITY SUMMITS



What is a community summit?

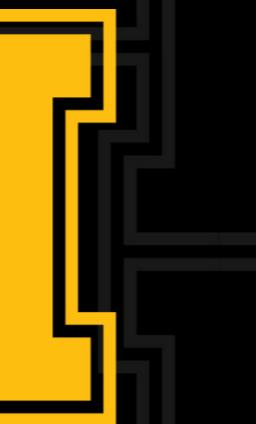
Bringing a community or sector of the community together to work on an issue or address a need can be a powerful action tool that can create maximum buy-in and impact.

How do I use them?

- Invite stakeholders
- Start with information
- Have facts on hand
- Prepare space for group discussions
- Brainstorming
- Move to action

When can I use them in my programming?

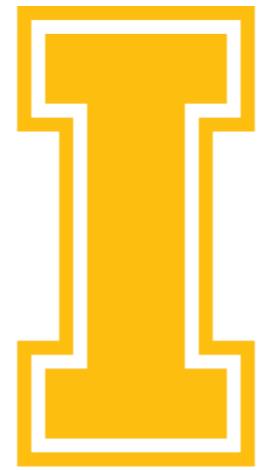
- Tackle a big community challenge
- Bring differing opinions together
- Build a lot of community buy in and support



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Talk about actions at your table, then we will
share.



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QUESTIONS?