

# East5ide ABCD Debrief

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# Today's Purpose



- Discover the basics of ABCD
- Hear East5ide Team perspectives and reflections on ABCD
- Illuminate our assets and consider “what else”



# Welcome and Introductions

How are you

What inspires you to be here today

What is your intention and mindset for this evening

What are you listening for?

# Asset-Based Community Development



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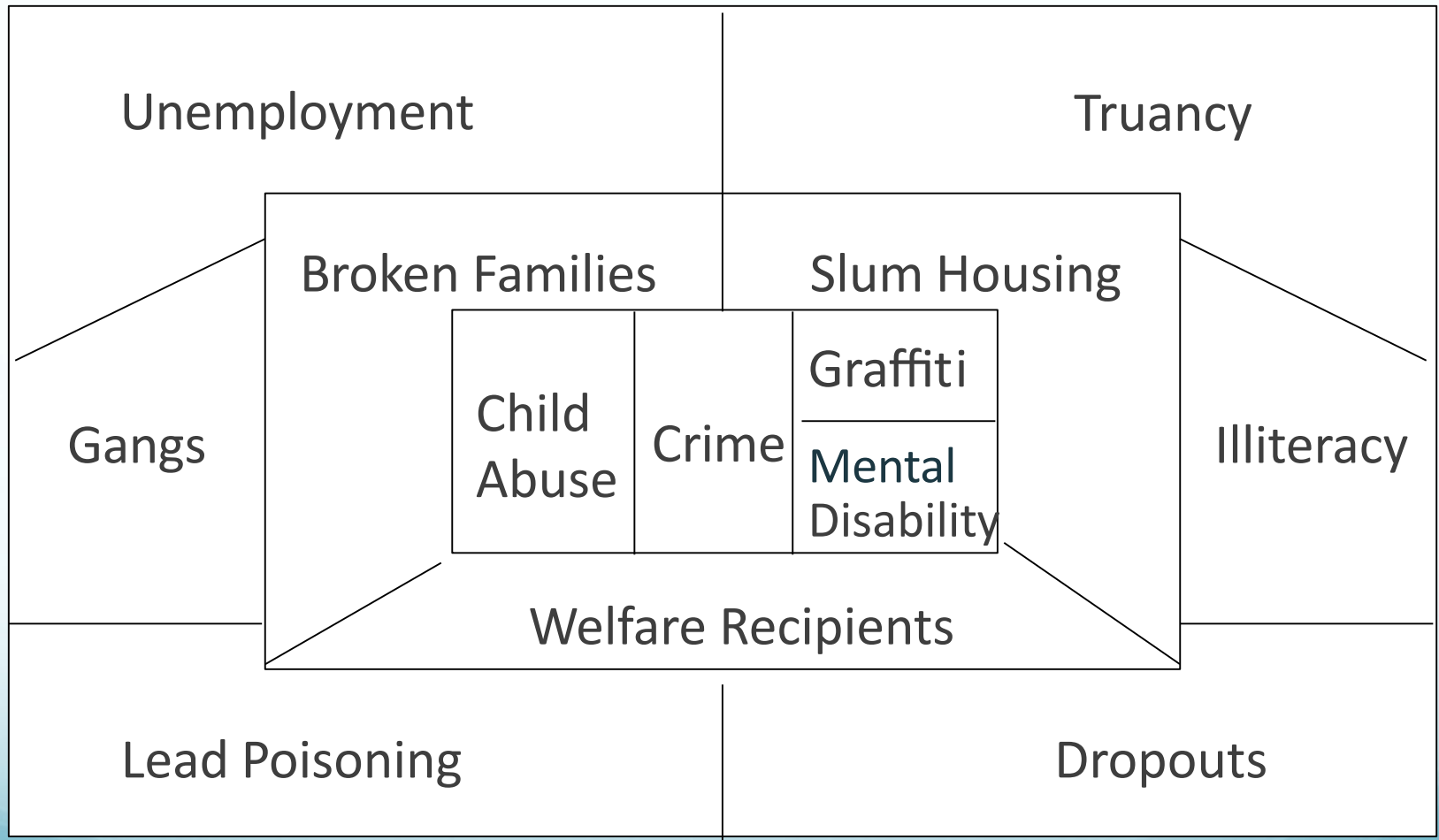
# The Dilemma . . .



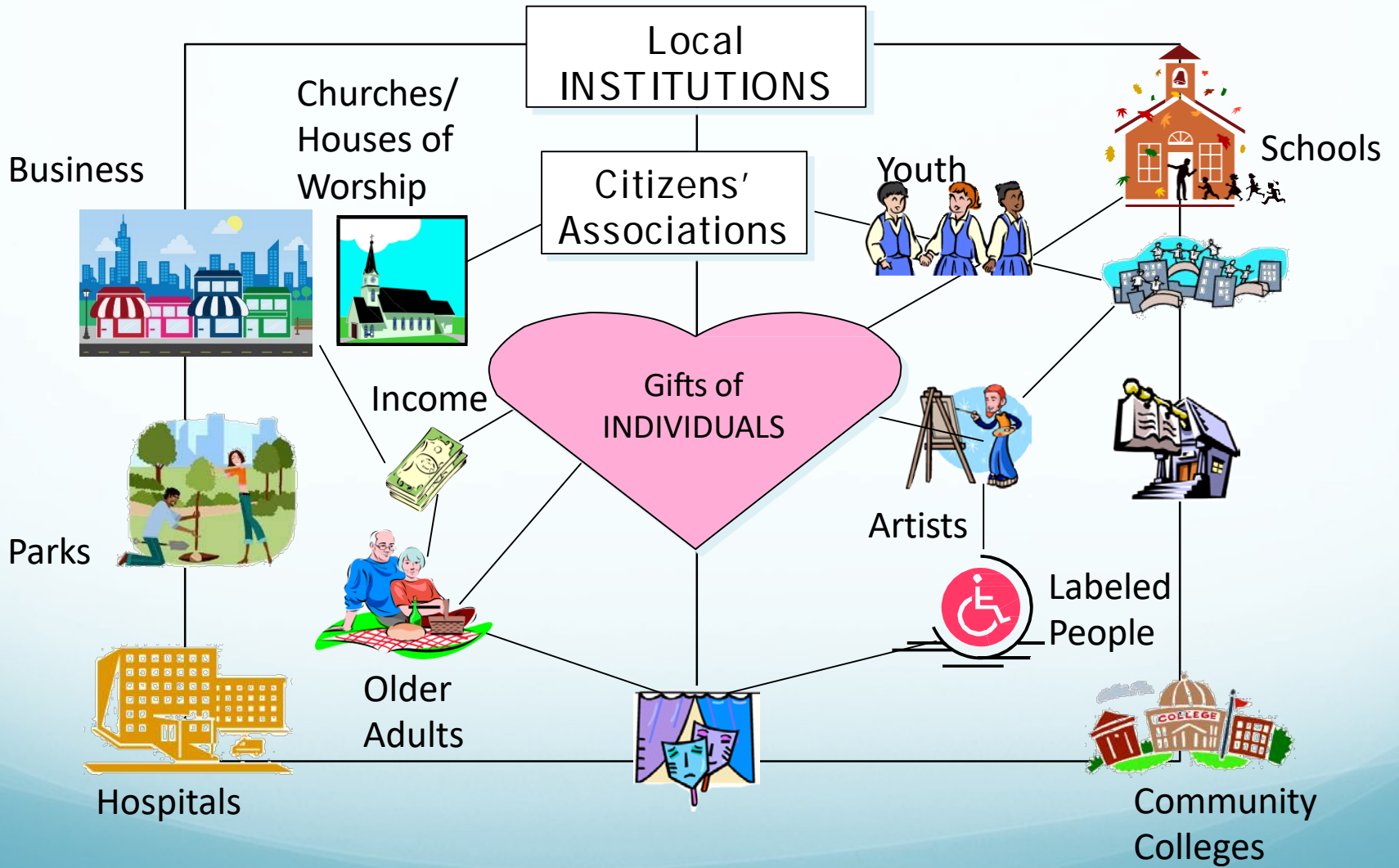
People and Communities  
have *deficiencies & needs*

Individuals and Communities  
have *assets and capacities*

# Neighborhoods Needs Map



# Community Assets Map



# Consequences of the Needs Map for Local Residents

- “We are deficient”
- Our local relationships are damaged
- Most money comes into our community for programs – often narrowly defined
- Money can get misdirected towards professional helpers, not residents
- We place focus on leaders who magnify deficiencies
- We reward failure and foster dependency on systems
- Our community has a poor self-image
- We experience hopelessness



# Individuals



# Sample Personal Capacity Inventory

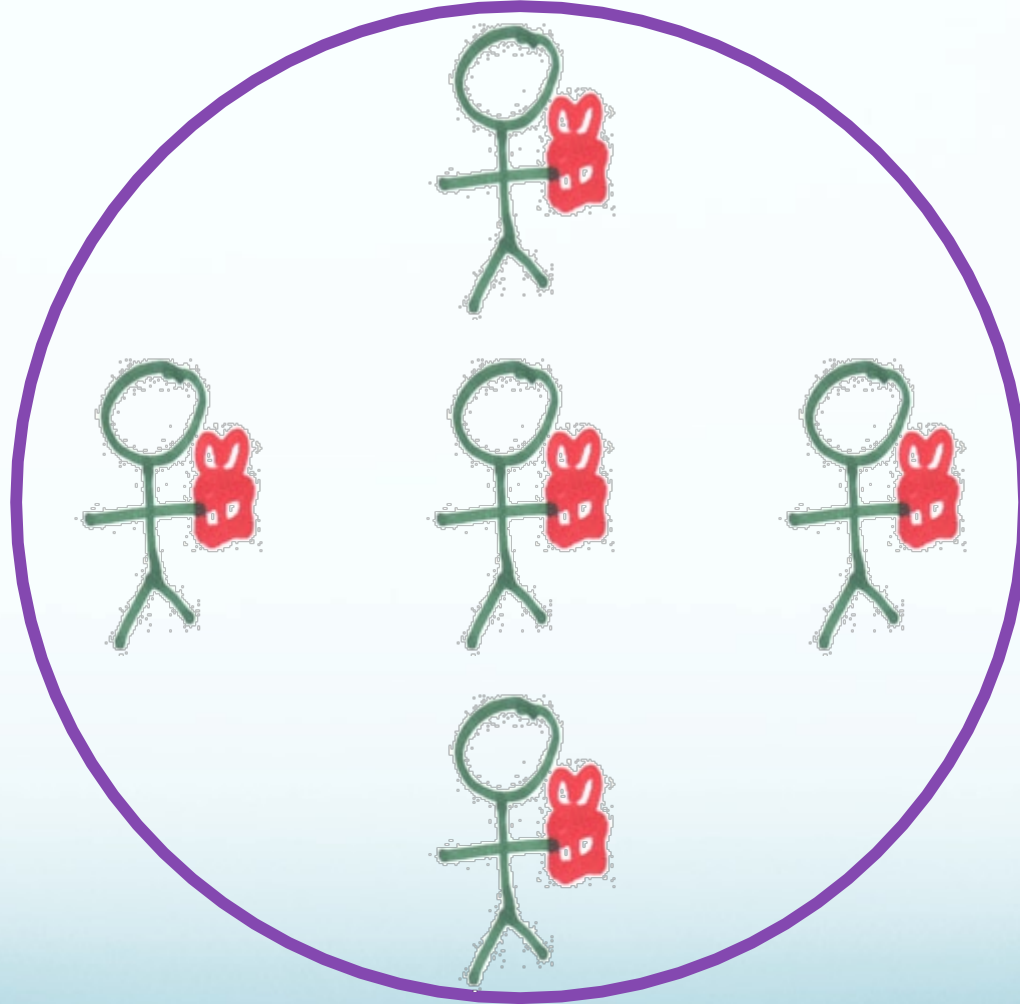
## Gifts I Can Give To My Community

**Gifts of the Head** (Things I know something about and would enjoy talking about with others, e.g., art, history, movies, birds).

**Gifts of the Hands** (Things or skills I know how to do and would like to share with others, e.g., carpentry, sports, gardening, cooking).

**Gifts of the Heart** (Things I care deeply about, e.g., protection of the environment, civic life, children).

# Associations



# What are Local Voluntary Associations?

- Groups of two or more residents joined together around a common activity or interest, often sharing a common passion, care and interest.
- Might have a small paid staff, but
- Members always create the vision and engage in the work to achieve the goal.

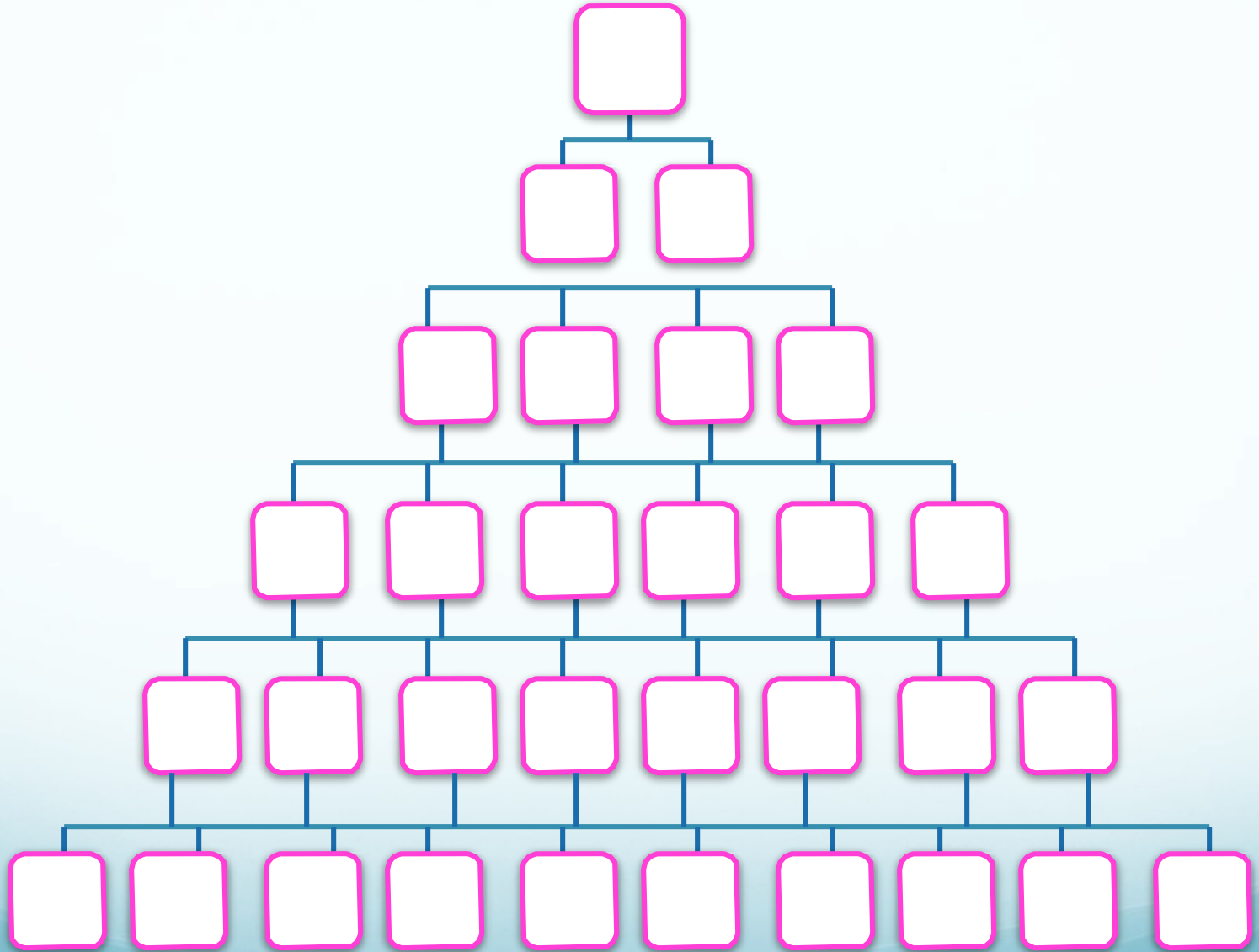
# Typical Neighborhood Associations

- Addiction Prevention and Recovery Groups
- Advisory Community Support Groups
- Animal Care Groups
- Anti Crime Groups
- Block Clubs
- Business Organizations/Support Groups
- Charitable Groups and Drives
- Civic Events Groups
- Cultural Groups
- Disability/Special Needs Groups
- Education Groups
- Elderly Groups
- Environmental Groups
- Family Support Groups
- Health Advocacy & Fitness Groups

# Typical Neighborhood Associations (cont'd)

- Heritage Groups
- Hobby and Collectors Groups
- Men's Groups
- Mentoring Groups
- Mutual Support Groups
- Neighborhood Improvement Groups
- Political Organizations
- Recreation Groups
- Religious Groups
- Service Clubs
- Social Groups
- Social Cause/Advocacy Issues Groups
- Unions
- Veteran's Groups
- Women's Groups
- Youth Groups

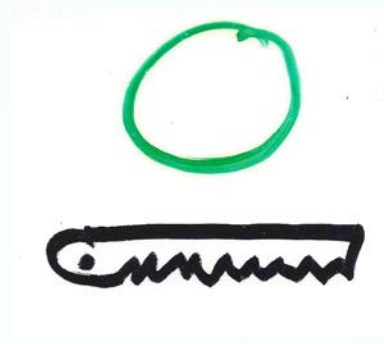
# Institutions



# Local Institutions

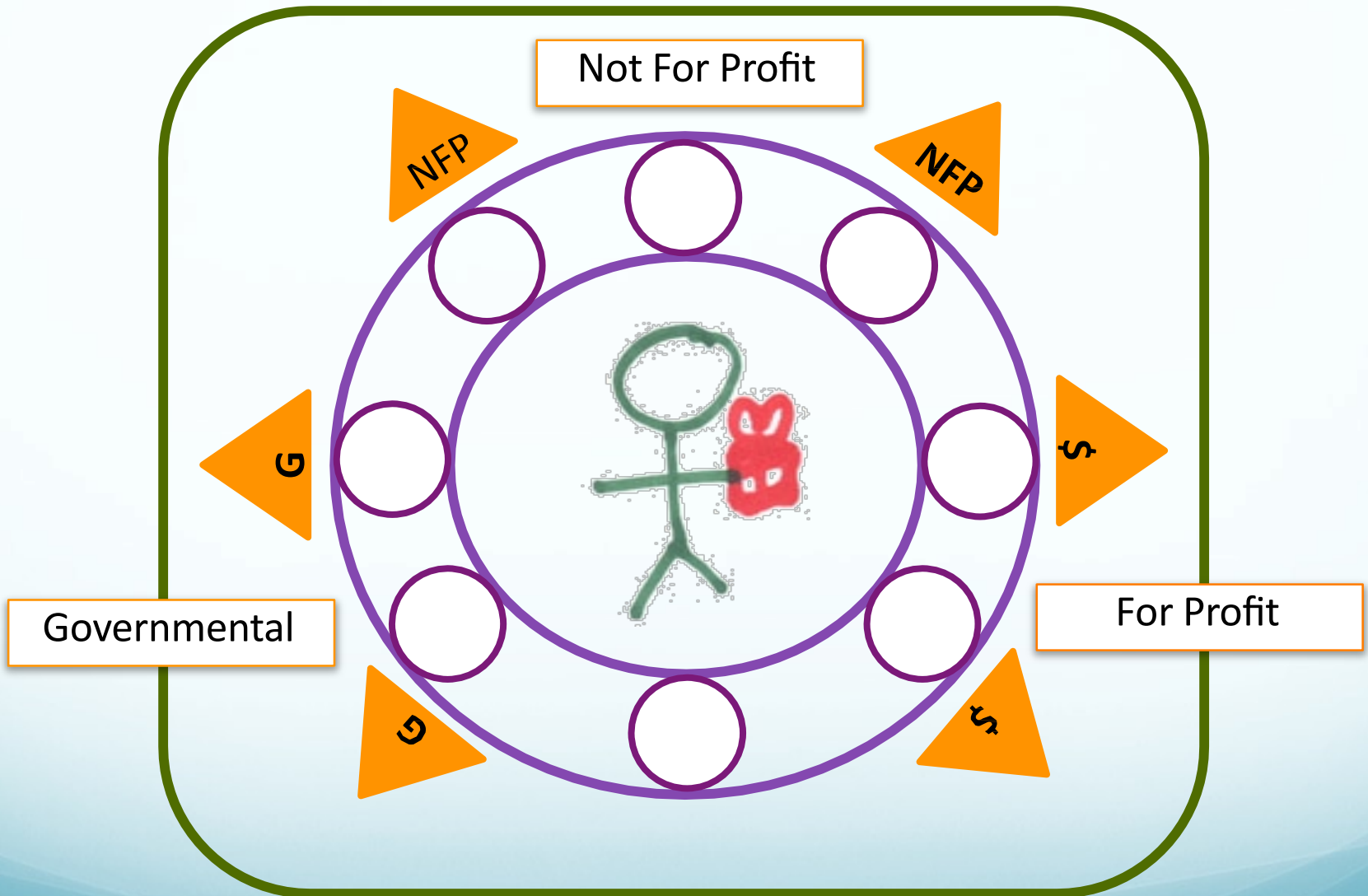
- Schools
- Museums
- Libraries
- Parks
- Law Enforcement
- Colleges, Universities, Trade Schools
- Health and Human Services Agencies
- Non-Profits
- Private Business



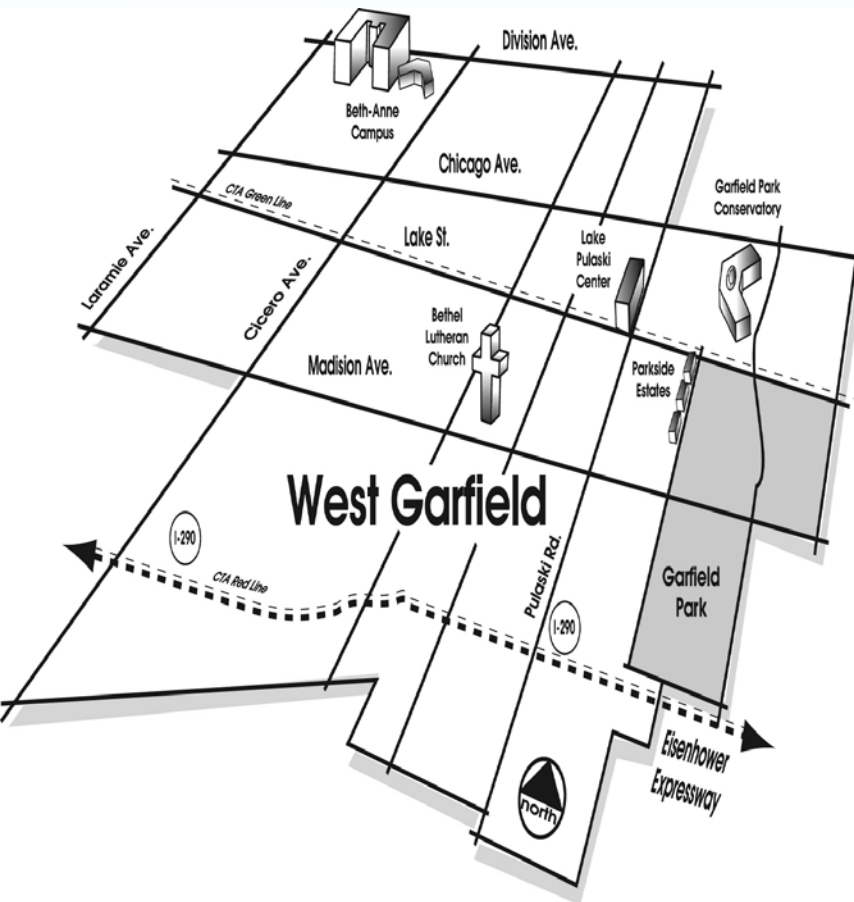


CONTROL	CHOICE
PRODUCTION GOODS SERVICES	CARE
CLIENTS CONSUMER	CITIZEN
NEEDS	CAPACITY

# Physical Space

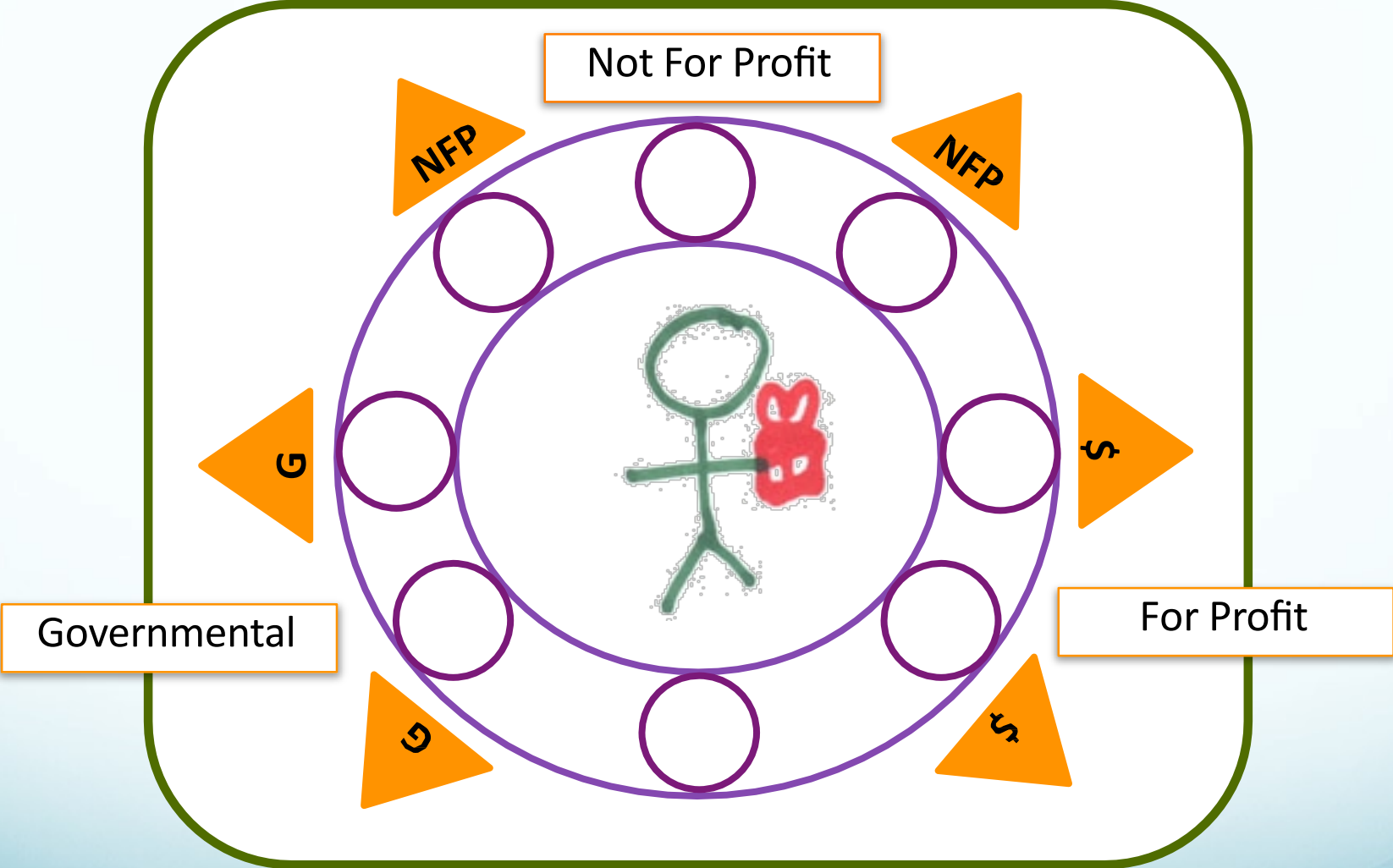


# Assets- Community (physical, social capital, economy)



- Recognize your physical assets & economic ones
- Look with new eyes
- Bethel - abandoned school, closed down hospital, transit stop, conservatory
- Look at the assets of the economy of the community- businesses, etc.
- Build partnerships
- Keep evolving

# Exchange



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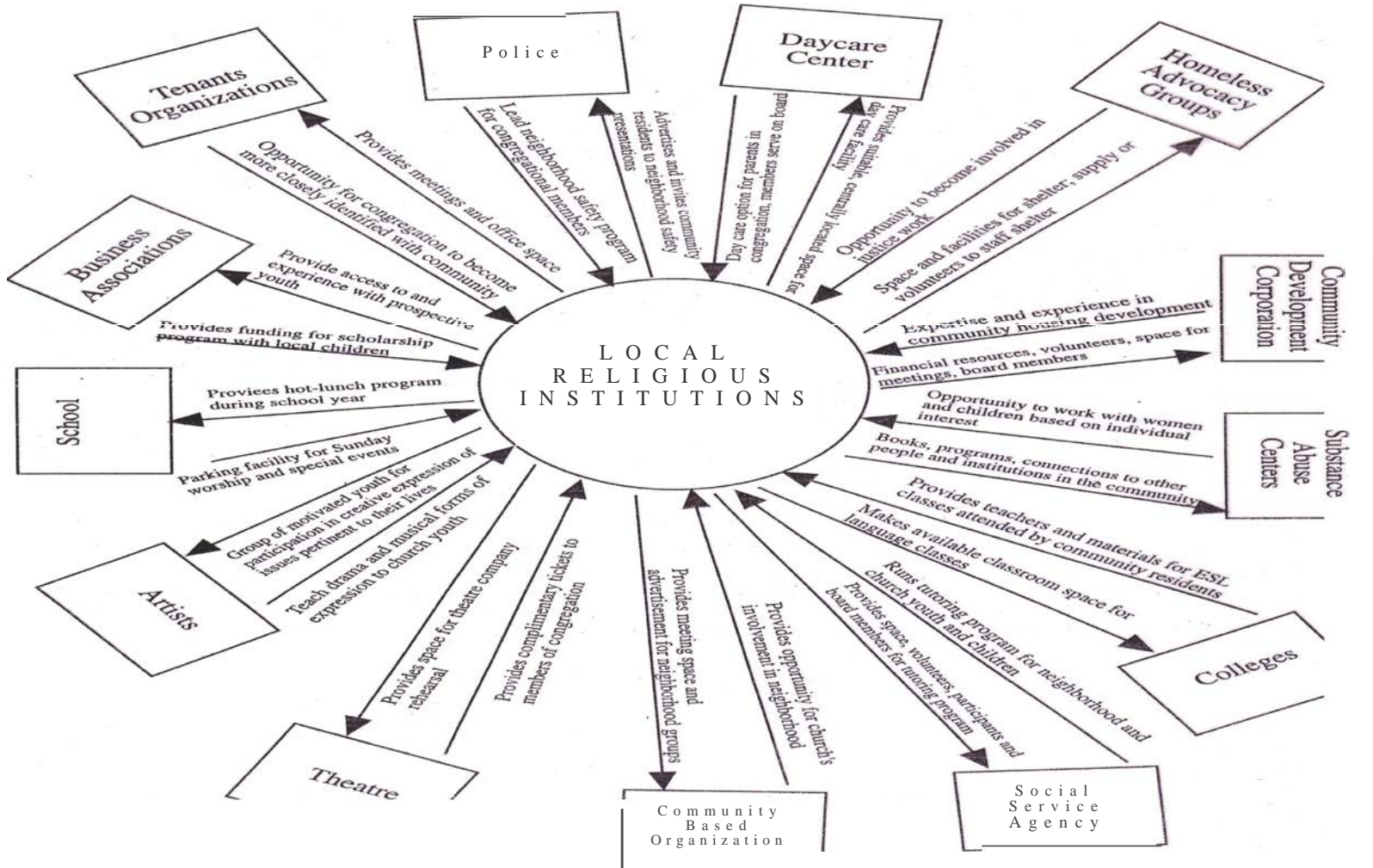
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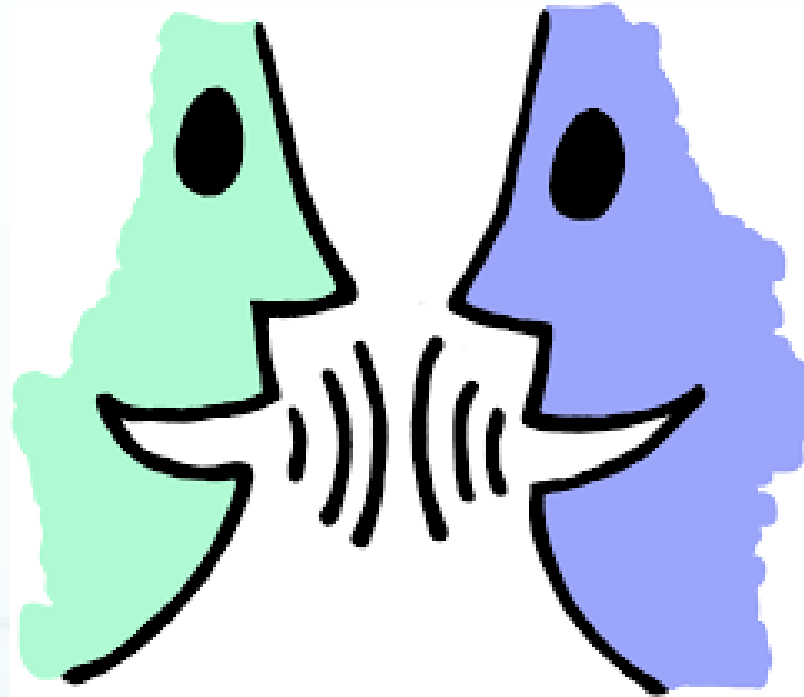


# Releasing the power of local associations and institutions

Chart: Three: One on-One Relationships



# Culture, Stories and History



# Six Community Assets

Individuals

Associations

Institutions

Physical Space

Exchange

Culture/Stories/History

# Basic ABCD Findings

- In every story, neighbors know about the **local assets**.
- Successful neighborhood action is the result of assets that were not connected being **connected**.
- To connect assets there must be a **connector**, i.e. individuals, associations or local institutions.



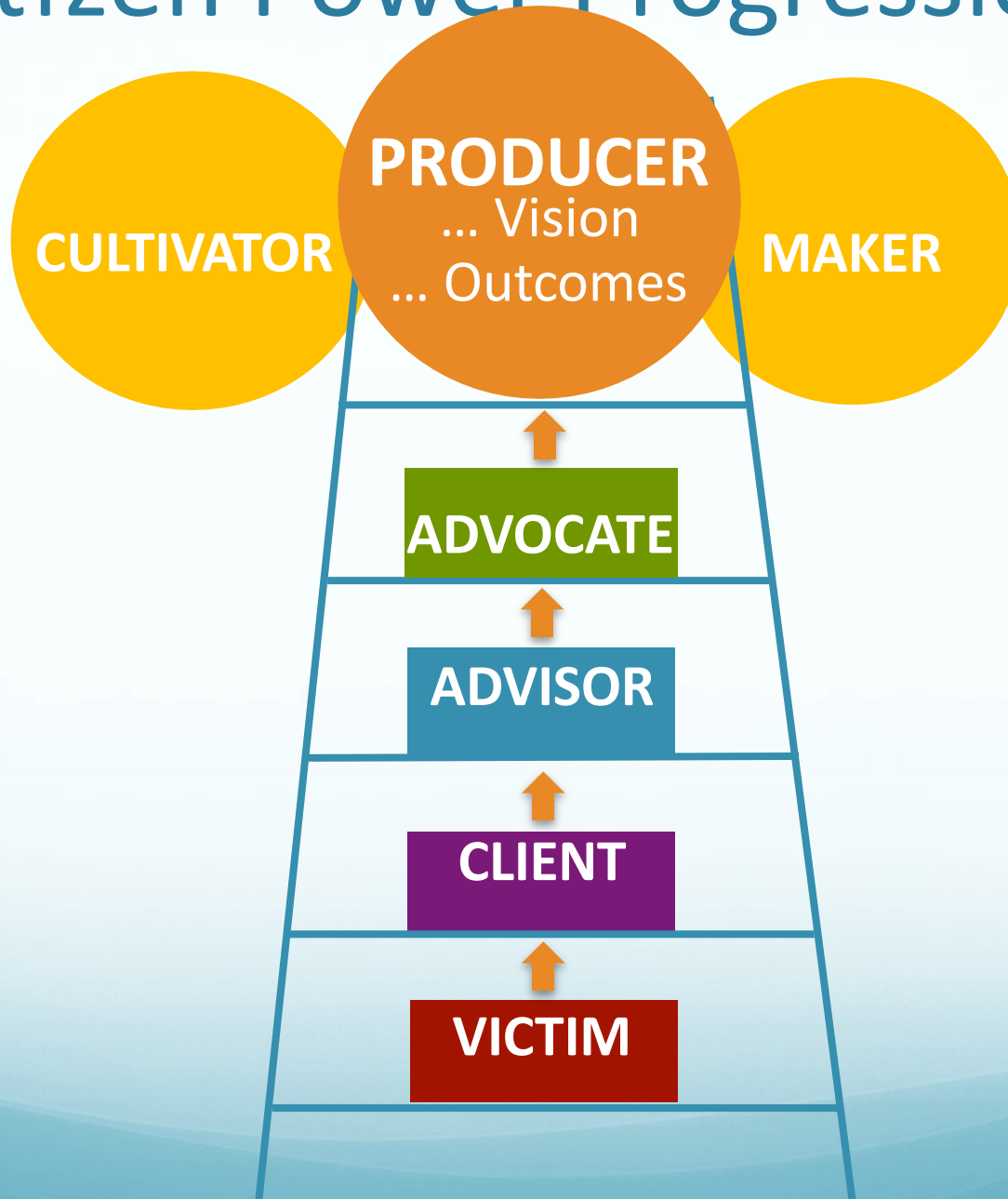
# Connector's Skills

- Gift centered
- Well connected
- Trusted
- Believes community is welcoming

# Three Planning Questions

- As neighbors, what can we achieve by using our own assets?
- What can we achieve with our own assets if we get some outside help?
- What can't we do with our assets that must be done by outsiders?

# Citizen Power Progression



# Community Development



*Go to the people*

*Live among them*

*Learn from them*

*Love them*

*Start with what they know*

*Build on what they have;*

*But of the best leaders*

*when their task is done The*

*people will remark “We*

*have done it ourselves.”*

# Sharing



What did you learn that stuck with you?

How are you thinking after the training, did it cause you to think differently?

How do you see ABCD being useful in your own life and/or the EAst5ide work?

What do you want to start/stop/keep doing?

What else?

# Open



What are your Assets, Passions, Skills, Gifts, Resources you would like to contribute?

What are opportunities to connect with or to create? (events, grants, etc)

Who and what is missing?

What is your personal action step? Group action step?

# Preview Next Steps



November 14 – Grant Affinity Group Webinar

November 14 – EU Council Meeting

December 12 – Council Meeting

Civic Network – additional information and resources are available!

Stipends - check in with Emily



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