

# How to:

# Identify Community Resources

Your community is rich with resources that can help your community work. Use the 9 Dimensions of a Healthy Community to help you see what those resources are, and possible ways to connect them to your work.



## 9 Dimensions of Healthy Community

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## A community resource assessment in 3 steps:

### 1. Gather

Bring together a diverse group of people to help you map out resources around an issue or project. We suggest bringing representatives from all 9 dimensions.

*You can find the 9 Dimensions of a Healthy Community PDF Handout with descriptions at the bottom of the page listed below:*

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### 2. Discuss Together

- State your goal or project.
- Use the 9 Dimensions graphic to identify resources contained in each dimension that can help you move your project forward.

### 3. Ask the Group

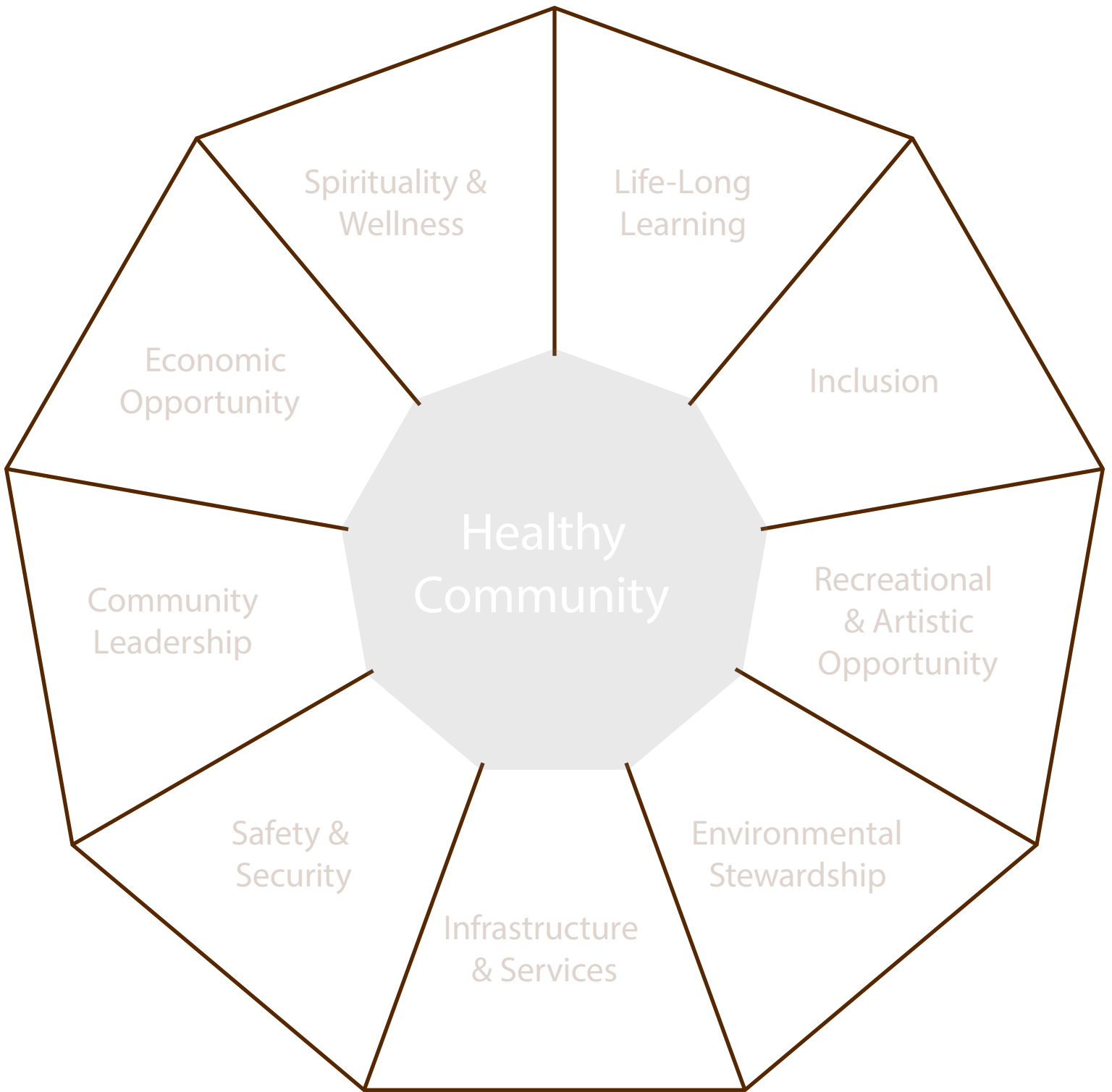
Ask the following questions:

- What do you notice as you look across all the dimensions in relation to this project?
- What gaps did you discover?
- Who else should we be talking to about this project?
- What are our best resources available?
- Given these resources, what's possible?
- What are our next steps?
- How can we support each other in taking the next steps?



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