The Social Venture Café

Social Venture Start-ups Serving Our Community's Needs
Through Innovation

A Common Understanding

The Breakaway Social Venture Start-up Framework

Stage 3 - Step 1

A Common Understanding
"Building a Shared Understanding of the Community"

A Common Orientation

Building A Shared Understanding Of The Community



Building A Shared Understanding

- Clarifying community boundaries, segments, and dynamics
- Exploring your community field of interest focus area
- Identifying community stakeholders, their roles, and interests
- Creating your community ecosystem map to tie it all together
- Building your own glossary of terms and roster of organizations

Building a shared understanding of the Community and the Field of Interest that will be the focus of the team's work



Community Boundaries, Segments, & Dynamics

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Community Field Of Interest, Services & Solutions

Effected Community Members

Community Field
Of Interest,
Services &
Solutions

Fit Into Community Priorities

Assessment Of Available Solutions

Solution Partnerships & Alliances

Community Stakeholders: Roles& Priorities

Identification & Role Description Stakeholder Hierarchy Classification Community Stakeholders: **Roles & Priorities Primary Interests & Priorities** Influence & Impact Assessment

Glossary & Roster Of Organizations

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Challenge, Need, Problem Terminology



Field Of Interest Terminology

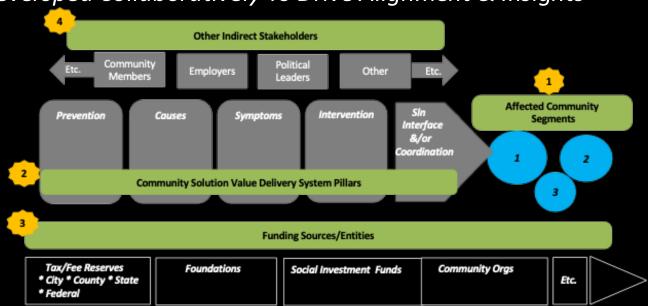


Social Challenge, Need, Problem Areas:

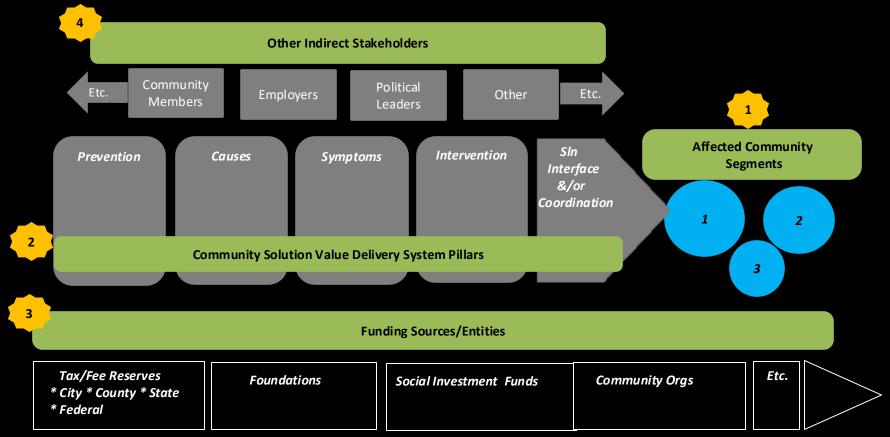
- Service & Advocacy Organizations
- Primary Interests
- Sponsors & Supporting Funders

Community Ecosystem Map

- Visual Representation Of The Community & Field Of Interest
- Highlights Community Profile, Dynamics, & Relationships
- Developed Collaboratively To Drive Alignment & Insights



Community Solution Ecosystem Map



Community Solution Ecosystem Provider Roles

Prevention Focus is on the person (s); helps the person (s) avoid being impacted by the current causes)

Cause Focus is on changing the short &/or long-term environmental/systemic factors impacting the person (s)

Symptoms Focus is on the person (s); activities address the short-term negative impacts of being affected

Intervention Focus is on helping person (s) achieve long-term relief from being affected by the cause or in suffering as an effects

Focus is on helping person (s) navigate a range of solutions/solution elements being delivered by multiple prevention, cause, symptoms, and/or intervention-focused solution providers

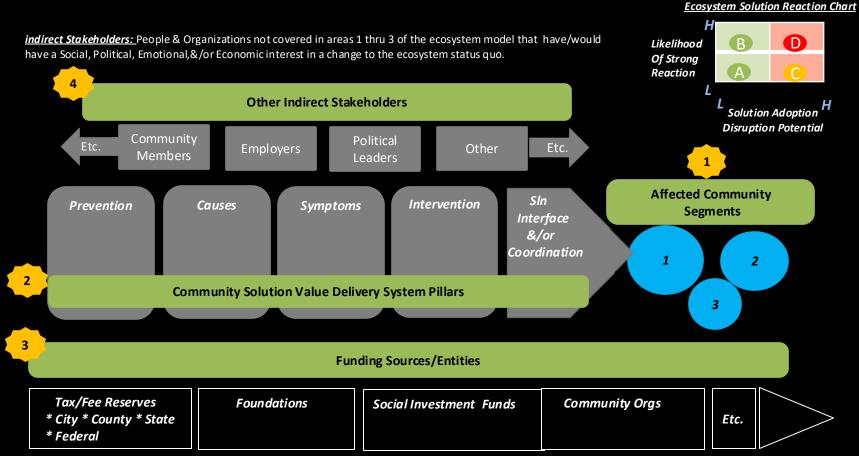
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Solution

Interface &/or

Coordination

Community Solution Ecosystem Map



Summary

- Process is a way to build a shared understanding of the community
- Encourages teamwork & will produce new community insights
- Work helps avoid costly "didn't know what I didn't know" surprises
- Avoid "Analysis-Paralysis".....As new learnings & Insights emerge update materials & discuss

Backup

~Ecosystem Gap and Value Opportunity Assessment Tools~

Gap Assessment/Heat Map

	VDS: Prevention SIns	VDS: Cause Elim. Slns	VDS: Symptom Treatment Sins	VDS: Intervention SIns	VDS: Interface &/or Coordination SIns	Funding: Orgs/ Entities / Capacity	Other: Indirect Stakeholder Satisfaction
Sufficiency of (i.e., # of and range of)							NA
Accessibility to B							NA
Solution Value Experience Delivered: (i.e., Efficiency/ Effectiveness/ Optimization							
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-VDS: Cause elim. Slns							
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-VDS: Intervention Slns							
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Ratings should be from the point of view of the affected community members/groups
 : Ratings should be from the point of view of the noted Ecosystem area member

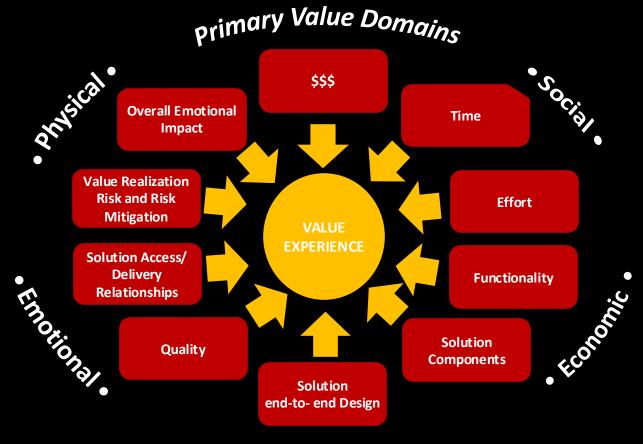
Ratings: 1 = Poor

2 = Satisfactory

3 = Very Good

4 = Excellent

Value Assessment Model



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Notes – Implications – Applications – Action Plans

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Notes: Observations – Thoughts – Insights - Follow-up Questions

Implications: In what way will using these ideas/tools help me in achieving success?

Notes – Implications – Applications – Action Plans

Page 2

Application: How will I specifically apply these ideas/tools to my start-up activities?

Action Plans: When will I apply these ideas/tools to my start-up efforts and what outcomes will I try to achieve as a result?