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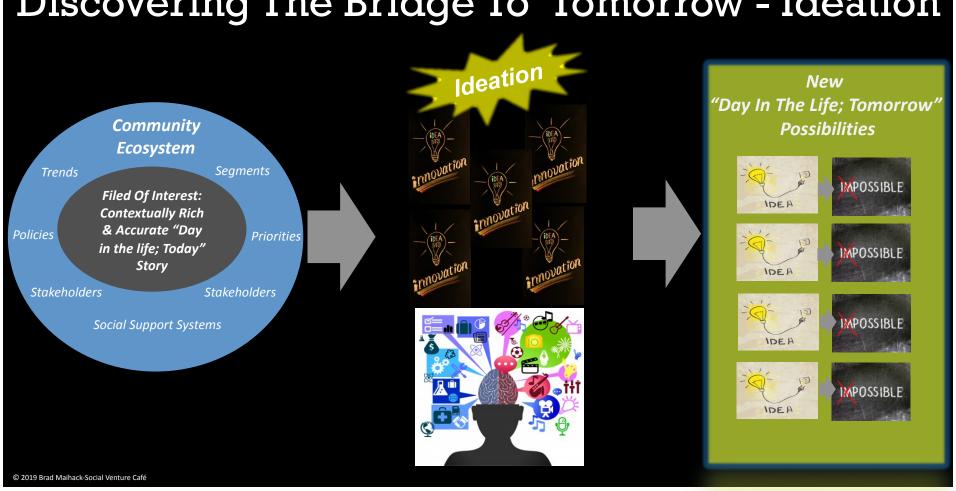
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- Discovering The Bridge To Tomorrow Ideation
- Ideation Tools And Techniques
- What's It All Look Like?

Ideation Magic Your Objective

Armed with a contextually rich and intimate understanding of the Community, your Field of Interest, your Community's Stakeholders, and the "Day In The Life; Today" realities of its at risk or impacted members......

generate a wide variety of fresh ideas aimed at fueling or supporting positive community ecosystem change that will help drive exciting new "Day in the life; Tomorrow" realities for its at risk or impacted members and/or supportive systems.

Discovering The Bridge To Tomorrow - Ideation



A Sampling of Ideation Techniques

- Brainstorming
- ❖ Brainwriting: 6-3-5 technique, card exchange, ...
- Pin card/Post it Technique
- Storyboarding/Idea-boarding
- Magazine Rip and Collage
- ❖ Visual Concept Wall
- Mind Mapping
- ❖ X-Y Axis Idea Direction Attribute Extremes
- Simple/rapid prototyping
- Etc. ...(tap the information available through the internet; pick what suits your team)

Goal:

A wide array of creative ideas generated by both the team and its individual members

Structuring You Ideation Work For Success

- Engage your entire multi-disciplinary team in the process
- Create a fun and creative environment
- ❖ Follow the "No judgment allowed" rule at this stage
- Tap group and individual ideation techniques
- ❖ Make time for ideas to emerge...give time for ideas to emerge
- ❖ Write, draw, prototype, verbalize....use your full tool kit

What's It Look Like???



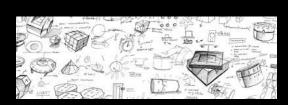






















Backup Ideation Techniques and Approaches ~ Samples ~

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Brainstorming

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Setup:

- Ideally;4 to 8 people
- Criticism-free environment
- All encouraged to contribute and add to ideas
- Time limit helpful;<60min

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- Review "day in the life-Today" story
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

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- Facilitator summarizes key elements of story and brief on flip chart/whiteboard
- Facilitator kicks-off by covering non-criticism rule, time limit, & process flow

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- Members contribute ideas, facilitator logs on flip chart/ whiteboard as stated
- Members extend core idea with idea variants
- New ideas added,etc

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- Group reviews ideas and creates major categories
- Members organize indiv ideas into categories
- Members can clarify any idea as necessary

- Repeat process in an additional session if team ideation energy warrants, or
- Take top ideas forward to filter/selection stage

Brainwriting: 6-3-5 technique, card exchange

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Setup:

- -6 people
- -Template: Goal statement at top, owner below. 18 boxes/ lines below to capture three ideas per member

2

- Review "Day in the life; Today" story
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

3

- Facilitator summarizes key elements of story and brief on flip chart/whiteboard
- Facilitator kicks-off by covering process flow & 6-3-5 idea-time limit cycles

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- Each member logs a "Day in the life;tomorrow: solution design attribute and impact goal at top of their template along with noting their name.

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-When ready; time starts. Each member given 5 mins to log three ideas on template.
-At end of 5 mins, template passed to the left, 3 ideas logged in 5 mins, repeat 6 X's

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- -108 ideas (6 templates X6 people X 3 ideas each)
- Group identifies top ideas within 108 list.
- -Top 20+/- ideas move to filter & selection step

Pin card/Post it Technique

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- Stack of 3X5 cards, pins and/ or post-it pads
- -Surface to pin cards or post post-its

2

- Review "Day in the life;Today" story
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

3

- Facilitator summarizes key elements of story and brief on flip chart/pin board/ whiteboard,etc
- Facilitator coveris process flow & timeline

4

- Each member writes ideas on pin cards/post-its; as many as they can generate
- After 30 mins, group reviews and categorizes into major theme areas

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- -After 30 min break, team reconvenes and repeats cycle; generating additional new ideas
- -Ideas posted to theme areas

- -Team jointly reviews and clarifies ideas as needed.
- Group identifies top ideas out of those generated
- -Top 20 +/- moved on to filter & selection step

Storyboarding/Idea-boarding

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- Large vertical display surface
- -Visual storyboard created reflecting "Day in the life;Today"

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 Over one week period (+/-), each member creates and posts visual ideas to storyboard/idea-board; ideas and impact on "day in the life" highlighted 2

- Review "Day in the life;Today" storyboard
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

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-After week (+/-), group convenes to discuss range of ideas and their new "day in the life" outcome possibilities -Top ideas across a range of focus areas captured

3

- Facilitator summarizes key elements of story and background brief; helps group align on key story areas to ideate around
- Facilitator covers process flow & timelines

- -Storyboard/idea-board process stays open another week (+/-) for additional "plussing"
- -Group reviews & top ideas moved on to filter & selection

Magazine Rip and Collage

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- Large vertical display surface
- -Visual storyboard outline reflecting "Day in the life; Today" chapters a impact

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-Over one week period (+/-), each member culls a range of visual elements from magazines/newspapers/etc that suggest ideas to impact the "Day in the life" 2

-Review "Day in the life; Today" storyboard chapters and impacts to community & its community members - Review "Field of interest"

background brief

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-After week (+/-), group convenes to discuss their visual materials and story ideas relative to creating solutions that drive a new "day in the life" outcome

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Mind Mapping

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- Large vertical display surface
- -Visual Mind Map skeleton; Center= Solution impact goals, Nodes = major community ecosystem areas

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-Over a one week period (+/-), each member logs key words/ ideas onto mind map skeleton - New skeleton nodes added as necessary

- -Review "Day in the life; Today" ecosystem & service delivery map
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

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-After week (+/-), group convenes to key words/ideas relative to impact on node area as well as to the broader Mind Map node areas 3

- Facilitator summarizes key elements of ecosystem, service delivery and Field of Interest background brief
- Facilitator covers process flow & timelines

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-Mind Map process stays open another week (+/-) for additional "plussing"
-Group reviews & top ideas moved on to filter & selection

X-Y Axis Idea Direction - Attribute Extremes

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- Whiteboard or flip chart
- -Create X-Y axis drawing(" + ")

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- Team members identify possible solution design attribute extremes; e.g. low vs high tech, low vs high cost,etc -X-Y axis loaded with chosen extremes;

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- -Review "Day in the life; Today" story
- Review "Field of interest" background brief

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- -Team members go through brainstorming cycle and note solution design elements that could occupy each quadrant
- Continue for 60 mins

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- Facilitator summarizes key elements of "day in the Life" and Field of Interest background brief
- Facilitator covers process flow & timelines

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-Members continue to populate X-Y chart individually -Top Highest impact/potential SIn attributes identified -Top 4-5 ideas used to influence top solution design

Simple/rapid prototyping

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Setup:

- 5 +/- 2 group members
- low tech prtotyping materials; paper, cardboard, wood, web tools of app rapid prototyping, etc
- --Workspace to support

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-4 hours/round allotted;
Members each take a top idea
and produces a rapid
prototype; repeat ro 10 ideaas
-Member return following DAY
and pitch their work

2

- -Review "Day in the life; Today" story
- Review "Field of interest" background brief
- -Review output of previous ideation work cycles; top ideas

5

-Team members make notes across presentations; goal to find key sln design attributes with high impact & implementation potential

3

- Facilitator summarizes key elements of "day in the Life" and Field of Interest background brief
- Facilitator covers process flow & timelines

- -Members align on key , high potential sln design elements -Original solution design idea
- reformulated
- -Top 4-5 ideas moved on to filter & selection step

Additional Ideation & Creativity Tools

Many creative problem solving and ideation techniques, tools, and methodologies, exist. Social venture start-up teams should do some research to identify the techniques, methodologies, and/or tools that can be used to best support their teaming and working preferences.

Teams can quickly start their investigation via the internet, searching for:

- "Creative problem solving techniques and processes", or
- "Ideation techniques and processes", or
- "Creativity processes and tools"