

End of day Built Environment Collaboration Planning

1. What action would you like to take and what support would you need?

- a. Action - will connect with community members, and support engaging them in solution oriented empowerment; **I need to learn to be more sensitive to how others react to me**
- b. Action - will organize and engage local university communities in sustainable development initiatives; **Need -more connections; a team**
- c. **Need contacts**
- d. Will work on building a solar business; **Need - to engage others by listening**
- e. Working on transitional housing for women; **Need - to be with innovative people**
- f. Primarily focused on supporting intergenerational work; **Need - to connect with more young people who want to work intergenerationally**
- g. I am capable of selling solar and want to pursue that; **Need to use my own skill and potential more:** 1) be trainable, 2) be an active listener, 3) develop leadership skills for education and apprenticeship connecting
- h. Working on creating a self contained community through connecting: a housing project, a farm, and a restaurant; **Need - people** to help it materialize (architect, ppl to do scheduling and book keeping, etc.) and money.
- i. Working with MN350 Climate Justice Team; I want to engage with communities to learn how they feel about a transition to a green economy; how do they feel impacted? **Need to hear from citizens**
- j. **Need more communities that want to work together to be empowered in the process of community development**
- k. Good family sustaining jobs are really the foundation; equity issues around housing and transit won't be resolved without people having reliable incomes. I need to learn to be explicit about that not assume it is a given; **Need - an environment to openly discuss issues**
- l. In Chicago, want to connect with other to support radical action for radical land reform; There has been a "free speech soap box" on the corner and local officials threatened to take it away, saying that it supports violence; How to respond to people with influence who are not listening/being supportive? **Need space to compare understanding and experiences**
- m. (written) I would help connecting with my community on a broader understanding not just warning them about the problem, but reassuring them that with their help, there can be a solution

2. *Thoughts and strategies for long-term info sharing and collaboration around just and sustainable development*

- a. Assets/Resources:
 - i. Organizations supporting engagement in projects
 1. Alliance for Metropolitan Stability

2. ARISE
 3. Many others...
- ii. There are many development projects going on that people could get involved in
 - iii. Sustainable Communities class at the U of M - student focus
 - iv. [Environmental Justice Mapping Tool](#) - created by GIS people at the UofM with CEED (Center for Earth Energy and Democracy)
- b. What kind of spaces can we hold for more continual idea sharing and collaboration?
- i. Could create an online space for collaboration and connection - that supports people to meet in person
 1. discussion forums
 2. resources available for people
 - ii. There is a spiritual part of this work that seems like it's not being paid as much attention as it should
 1. Place to debrief and convene
 2. Need to share tools for processing and supporting spirit
 - iii. We need to develop skills in a way that draws people together
 - iv. Online resource would be good, but face to face interaction is more productive
- c. **People interested in meeting again** to work on developing a collaborative space for community members and people with all varying levels and kinds of expertise - online and/or in-person
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 - ii. Hamid - Abdol Hamid Bamaei
 - iii. Nikita - Nicole Siewert
 - iv. Beth Mercer-Taylor
 - v. Sarah Leistico
 - vi. Elizabeth Kahn
 - vii. Josiah Song
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 - x. Savannah Duby