

ENCHIA Community Assessment Plan
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Goals of Community Assessment

- Introduce ENCHIA processes, goals and concepts with diverse *community* sectors that are not adequately represented in stakeholder council as previously identified by council members
- Deepen the understanding of selected issues presented through the quantitative data
- Understand different dimensions of, and experiences with issues presented/raised throughout ENCHIA deliberations
- Gain support for ENCHIA products and process

Proposed Principles of ENCHIA Community-driven assessment

- Should focus on deepening the issues raised through the community profiles
- Should be inter-sectoral (so as to build networks)
- Should have applicability to the community's needs and priorities
- Should identify roles and mechanisms within different City agencies to address land use issues

Proposed Process of organizing Community-Driven Assessments

Convene interim working group to guide assessment process:

- Provide feedback on target selection
- Provide feedback and suggestion on question and format development
- Provide guidance on logistics
 - Suggest locations to held focus groups/interviews
 - Suggest recruitment strategies
- Review and provide feedback on findings and results presentation

Initial targets identified for community assessment

- Youth
- Families
- Property owners (residential & commercial?)
- Working class
- Employers

Sample Questions

(Based on Gaps and Issues raised by Community Council Members)

- How is 'neighborhood' defined by the different target groups?
 - What role does housing experiences play in this definition?
 - What role does local jobs, industries play in this definition?
 - What are the services, infrastructure needed, and accessed?
- How do the structural changes in area/neighborhood impact:
 - Individual's ability to live, work, recreate, socialize, invest in area?
 - Individual's perception of health and safety?
- What are the incentives/barriers that move individuals to live, work, recreate, invest in area?