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# COMMUNITY ACTIVIST TRAINING LA3

# Learning Area 3: Community network – development and sustainability



- ❑ Community network – definition and identification of common values, priorities and principles of work
- ❑ Community network – identify your community activists
- ❑ Community network – draw your structure
- ❑ SWOT analyses and lessons learned

# Definition of Community network



The primary goals of a community network may include providing a sustainable, trusted platform for an urban neighborhood, suburban village or exurban town or region to enhance a vital community and functioning democracy; closing of the digital divide across socio-economic lines; offering easier access to already existing information and services; promotion of local economic development and employment; strengthening of local identity; and/ or revitalization, promotion, and/or maintenance of local communal ties.

The area identified with a community network could be a town, city, county, metropolitan neighborhood, state, and occasionally a region.

# Community network- definition and identification of common values, priorities and principles of work



Community network – Group or individual work. Draw you  
community, identify the community activists

- Identify and define your values
- Identify and define your priorities
- Identify and define your principles of work
- Build a commitment

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# Community network – identify your community activists



Group or individual work. Identify your activists:

- What competence should the CA possess?
- What is your plan to find your CA?
- What is your action plan for CA competences development?
- What is your plan for involving CA in Community work?



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# Community network – draw your structure



Group or individual work. Draw your structure:

- Identify the priorities of your community
- Identify the managing structure
- Develop communication strategy
- Develop ethical code
- Identify the leadership of your community
- Build trust

# SWOT analyses



- Strengths
- Weaknesses
- Opportunities
- Threats

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# Sustainability



- Purpose, Ownership, Achievement, Recognition
- Documentation - Reports, Statements, Policy papers etc.
- Archive
- Training for trainers - CA reproduction
- Community development approaches



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