



Table Top Exercise 20 minutes

- Take out the instructions relevant to your workgroup – Collaboration, Evaluation, Sustainability.
- Select a facilitator, a recorder and a reporter.
- Using the questions provided the facilitator leads the group in discussion relevant to the topic.
- The recorder documents key pieces of the conversation on the flip chart.
- When the group reconvenes, the reporter describes the discussion and identifies the key points the group created. (10 minutes)



Collaboration

Think about your community – who do you see as part of your collaboration?

- **How do you feel about asking people to sign a letter of commitment?**
- **Who must be involved because without them it would fail? Why would it fail?**
- **What organizations, groups or key stakeholders have to be involved?**
- **Who brings resources to the table when they join?**
- **Who are key leaders that might shepherd this project as part of your team?**
- **How should we invite key people to the table?**
- **What are our first steps to build this local coalition?**



Evaluation

1. In your eyes, what is most important to evaluate in this project?
2. Which piece of this evaluation task excites you? Frightens you?
3. How could you evaluate the community collaboration?
4. How could you use the community profile to evaluate the impact of the project?
5. Because it is important to plan the evaluation as part of the project work, how might you go about planning evaluation of your community project? What are your first steps?



Sustainability

- From the article, read the six actions for sustainable communities.
- Which of the six actions resonates most with you?
- The author talks about the importance to community survival of local coalitions and development strategies? How are these projects sustainability for communities?
- Do you have other community stories of projects that built community sustainability?
- How might you use this work to build your community capacity to sustain?
- What actions might you take to build on this project to magnify the community capacity being built?