What's Great About Your Community?

An Informal Conversation

Extending Connections to Youth & Families

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How do you describe community assets?
Assetgories

People
- Local police liaison
- Musicians
- Retirees
- teen leaders

Spaces & Places
- Local apartment managers
- Parks & rec centers
- Community colleges
- alternative schools
- churches

Organizations & Businesses
- daycare centers
- YMCA
- UMD Extension
- Arts councils

4H, scouts
NAACP

Community Services
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Fire dept
- Child care
- Local hospitals
Assetgories

**People**
- Social workers
- Local authors, especially YA authors and own voices
- Local artists - dance, visual arts, etc.

**Spaces & Places**
- Nature centers/parks
- Museums - art, educational, history, etc.

**Organizations & Businesses**
- senior centers
- local schools
- Boys & Girls Clubs
- Local Children’s Board
- Sports teams

**Community Services**
- Local churches
- grocery stores
- Farmers markets
What is the difference between a community asset and a community partner?
Why is it important to focus on community assets?
What are ways that library staff can start to learn about, engage, and build relationships with community assets?
South Bowie Branch Library, PGCMLS Maryland
Flora-Monroe Township Public Library, Indiana

Population approximately 2000
St. Joseph County Public Library - South Bend, IN

Population almost 300,000
Moorhead Public Library, Minnesota

Clay County Collaborative

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description
Carolyn with the Early Childhood Initiative is one of the best resources we have for connecting with local parent groups and other providers of services for families.

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How does a knowledge of assets help build successful library services for and with youth, families, and communities?
Examples from Flora-Monroe PL, Indiana
How does a focus on assets help to build equitable services for youth, families, and communities?
What’s one thing you would like others to know about the role a focus on community assets plays in library services for/with youth, families, and communities?
Learn More

Packet

- Asset mapping basics
- Assetgories
- Conversation starters

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Learn More

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