### **CREATIVE PLACEMAKING**

# Asset Mapping

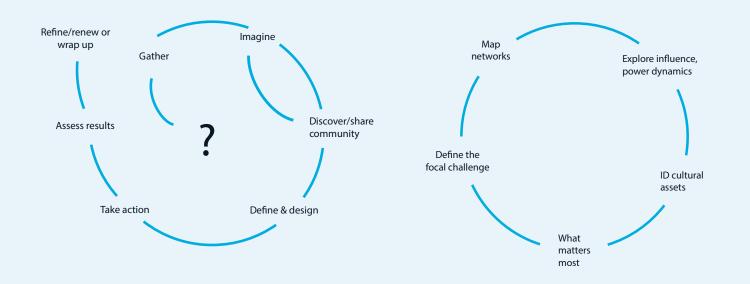
## It's important to start a community dialogue by first identifying strengths and assets.

Naming your collective points of pride and identity creates a strong foundation from which to build future ideas—and address challenges when they arise. Although mapping sounds complicated, it can be as simple as creating a list. Use the checklist on the following page as a starting place to build your own list of community assets. When you're done, think about how to represent your findings visually and where your assets appear geographically within your community. If mapped spatially, this same information can also begin to show patterns, cultures, and opportunities for community action.





### WORKSHEET Asset Mapping



What do we need to identify?	
Favorite places	0
Problem spaces	
Gathering places	
Arts & cultural resources	
Artists and creative workers	

### Use the following prompts as a starting place to build your own list of community assets.

Tangible assets	People
Public spaces	Local heroes
Parks, gardens	D Power brokers
Landscapes, streetscapes	Community leaders, activists
Housing	Creative workers: artists, writers, musicians
Local businesses	Tradition bearers
Markets	Resident demographics
Cultural organizations	Resident attitudes and attributes
Schools	
Faith-based institutions	
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Recurring events	History and traditions
Fairs and festivals	Memorable events
Parades	Cultural traditions
Public holidays	Historic building sites
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Public services	Other community assets
Health	
Education	
Recreation	
Public safety	