

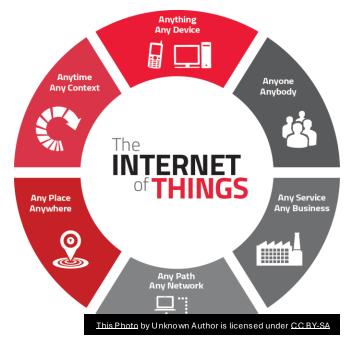


The Four Dominant Approaches to Economic Development









The 4th Industrial Revolution







The Economic Development Toolbox: Leveraging the Hidden Economy

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Today's Agenda

- Over Reliance on the Traditional CED Toolbox
- The Hidden Economy
- Leveraging the hidden economy to build capacity to meet community needs
- Takeaways Advancing the Hidden Economy
- Exercise Uncovering the Hidden Economy



Economic Restructuring

The Demise of the Local

The Four Dominant Approaches to Economic Development







Economic Development

Claims

- Optimal (approach of 95% of all municipalities)
- High wage careers
- Enhanced tax base
- Opportunities for entrepreneurship
- Local-focus is best

Results

- Limited job creation
 - Service-oriented
 - Volatile
- High social cost
 - Limited bang-for-the-taxpayerbuck
 - Avg cost: \$1.3 million per municipality
 - Rift: pits communities against each other
 - Environmental goals?



TECH

Foxconn mostly abandons \$10 billion Wisconsin project touted by Trump

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KEY POINTS

- Taiwan electronics manufacturer Foxconn is drastically scaling back a planned \$10 billion factory in Wisconsin.
- Under a deal, Foxconn will reduce its planned investment to \$672 million from \$10 billion, and slash the number of new jobs to 1,454 from 13,000.
- The deal was first announced at the White House in July 2017, with then-president Donald Trump boasting of it as an example of how his "America First" agenda could revive U.S. tech manufacturing.

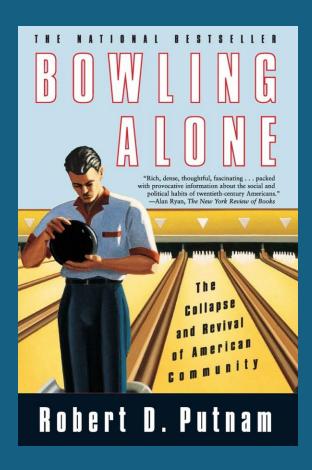


LOCAL // SPACE

Elon Musk brings exploding rockets and real estate to South Texas. Not everyone is happy.









Community Economic Development Policy & Economic Restructuring

The "Rural Penalty" (or community structure matters)

- Rough, "impractical" geographies
- Tyranny of distance
- Rural workforce

Institutional fit must align with community needs

- Policy is misaligned
- Rural industrial sectors often overlooked
- Rural diverges from metropolitan

Community Economic Development Policy & Economic Restructuring

PR Traditional CED models

- Attraction & Retention
- Workforce Development
- Small Business Development
- Arts & Culture (the creative class)

When a Few Financial

Institutions Control Everything

Restructuring of our Economy

- Financialization
- "Rolling Up" or Conglomerating
- Absentee Control, Metropolitan-Centric
- Geographic Challenges (e.g., Rural Penalty)
- "Demise of the local" Brett

Christophers

Asset

Own

Managers

JOHN COATES







There is no reason to believe that bureaucrats and politicians, no matter how well meaning, are better at solving problems than the people on the spot, who have the strongest incentive to get the solution right.

— Elinor Ostrom —

AZ QUOTES

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Driving Condition Changes *Rethinking * Economic Development ???

Business Forms Matter (especially in a Hyper Partisan World)

- Hybrids firms are an apolitical community builder
 - Collective wealth generating
 - Assists individual wealth building
- They meet *common* material/economic needs
 - Economizing elements incentivize collective action
- Multistakeholder feature + community facing = porousness (access points)
 - Advance "big easy" win-wins to move on partnerships
 - Low cost
 - Low friction
 - High *collective* return

Resources





Tostering critical thinking and understanding about cooperatives.













Hidden Economy

A vast ocean of potential public entrepreneurship

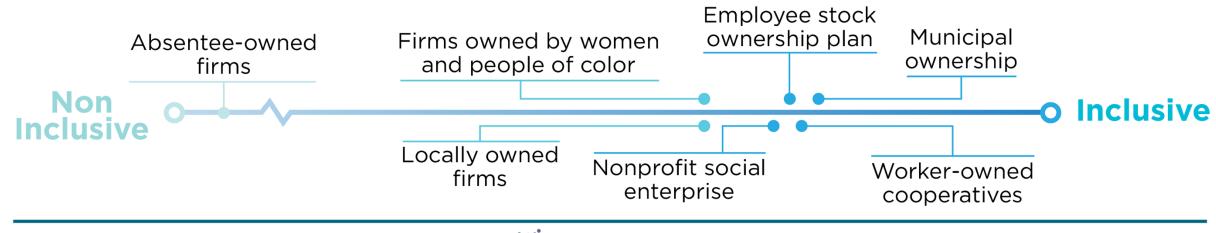
The Latent Community Capacity of the Hidden Economy

Key Concepts in the Hidden Economy

- Hidden Economy
 - The substantive elements of the economy, often overlooked for state or market based solutions, often comprised of...
- Public Entrepreneurship (Taylor 2021)
 - Public entrepreneurs are "motivated to provide for social goods and services" (Ramamurti 1986) having created ventures at the intersection of the charity and business sectors, such as cooperatives" (Battilana and Lee, 2014, p. 405), that serve as a "governance ideal ... an important political virtue, a feature of citizenship" (Aligica, 2018, p. 1)
- Hybrid Institutions

Hidden Economy's Hybrids Institutions

Inclusive Ownership Spectrum



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Cities Building Community Wealth report

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Key Concepts in the Hidden Economy

Hybrid Institutions

 "blend the social focus of nonprofits with the **capital** structures and processes of forprofits" (Graddy-Reed, 2018, p. 1223), elevating a social mission while **subordinating** the influence of capital and **investors**. Often, hybrid institutions fold in features of profit-sharing, and **service at**cost, whereas others add stakeholder ownership and control. Taken to scale, hybrid institutions themselves provide a quasi-public good in their reinforcement of democratic **principles**, norms, and behavior (Aligica 2018; Battilana and Lee, 2014; Molk 2014; Morrisand Jones 1999, pp. 77–78). The development and advancement of hybrid institutions could serve an invaluable wedge for breaking tribal, partisan impasses (Lubell 2013) by providing workable "third-way" solutions outside of dominant market and state arrangements.

Types of Hybrid Institutions

- Nonprofits
- ESOPs
- Government-Sponsored Enterprise
- JPAs
- Associations
- Co-ops

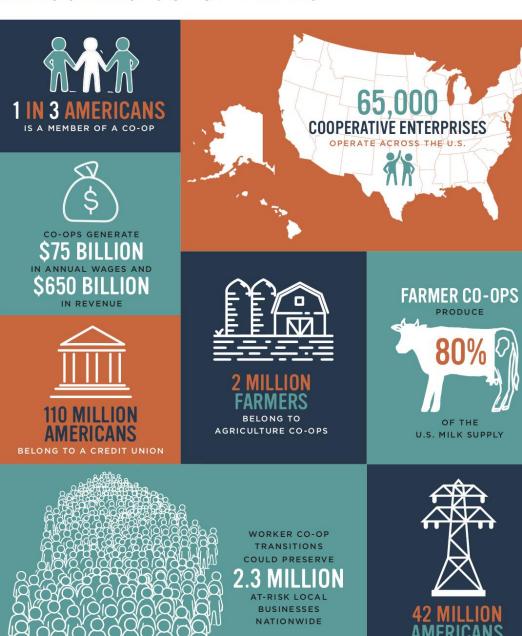
Global Economic Impact of the Co-op Sector

1 billion people are co-op members in

+150 countries, generating

+100 million jobs

MEASURING CO-OP IMPACT



RELY ON ELECTRICITY FROM ELECTRIC CO-OPS

SCITA COOFERATE DESCRIPTION

VOLUNTARY
OPEN

MEMBERSHIP

DEMOCRATIC MEMBER CONTROL



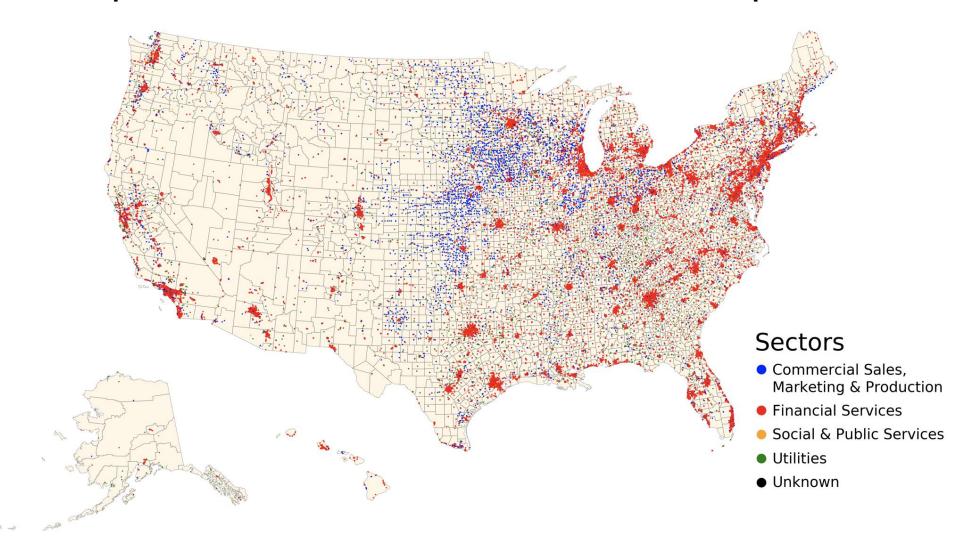
AUTONOMY & INDEPENDENCE

PARTICIPATION

CONCERN FOR THE HILL OS COMMUNITY EDUCATION

TRAINING AND INFORMATION

Cooperative Locations: Sectoral Composition



Associating Benefits - Whom and How?

Prospective Stakeholders

- Consumers/Citizens
- Small Businesses
- Medium Businesses
- Manufacturer/Vendors
- "Hybrid" firms
- Governments

Mechanisms for Benefits

- Market Power
- Political Power
- Reverse Extraction VALUE CREATION

The Hidden Economy: Practical Tools for Local CED

Too many one-and-dones

We need not start from scratch

Public entrepreneurship is the forgotten artform

• Time to create a repository for starting up and scaling "hybrid enterprise"

Latent community capacity exists

Learn from purchasing, electric, and credit union co-ops

- Startup techniques
- Maximizing material benefits
- Leverage associations for scale

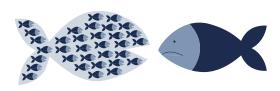
Mechanisms for Leveraging the Hidden Economy



When LOCAL BUSINESSES COMPETE with one another THEY GET EATEN BY THE BIG FISH



When LOCAL BUSINESSES COOPERATE with each other THEY COMPETE WITH THE BIG FISH



When 4,000 INDEPENDENT veterinary clinics worked together, COOPERATION

educational & shared services and collective purchasing power



THE VETERINARY COOPERATIVE

Together, own 14 % Ook of the second of the



Jointly made

BILLION

Dollars in SALES



2 X MORE
Consumer
SPENDING
goes to vet clinics
instead of big business



employ
40k
PEOPLE



























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Leveraging Philanthropy for Institution Building

Filene's Philanthropy AND THE CREDIT UNION SECTOR



EDWARD FILENE

Edward Filene was a major figure in American industry during the early 1900s. He was a prominent figure in the progressive movement and actively supported FDR's New Deal. Filene was inspired by a trip to India where he learned about the credit union model, a depositor-owned and controlled bank that works in the interests of depositors, not investors and bankers. Filene directed his energies to the advancement of the credit union sector for the last 30 years of his life.

FILENE'S PHILANTHROPY CREATED

COLLECTIVE WEALTH

Credit unions allow depositors to pool their deposits at a bank owned and governed by depositors. Credit unions are extremely risk averse banking institutions that also provide lending products at favorable rates, a form of self-help economic development.



Credit unions are governed by the depositors themselves. Each credit union elects board directors from their members. The system allows an everyday bank depositor to intervene in the financial market and create a competitive counterweight to the big bank s.



COUNTER POWER

Today, there are local credit unions, CUSOs, as well as both state and national associations that protect credit unions from big banks and political hurdles. Credit unions have also developed a support system outside of government assistance and for profit vendors.





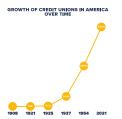
THE FOUR PILLARS: The FOUNDATION of the credit union movement



THE RISE OF THE CREDIT UNION SECTOR







THE CREDIT UNION SECTOR TODAY





















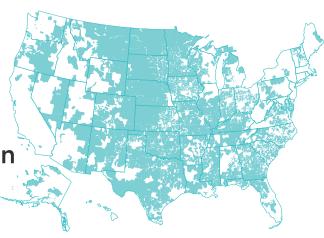
The first electric power pole raised on the ACE Power system in 1934

America's Electric Cooperatives

From booming suburbs to remote rural communities, America's electric cooperatives are energy providers and engines of economic development. Electric cooperatives keep the lights on and play a vital role in transforming communities.

Cooperatives power

56% of the American landscape.



Our co-ops ...

... SERVE

42 million people, including 92% of persistent poverty counties.

... POWER over

22 million

businesses, homes, schools and farms in 48 states.

... RETURN more than \$1 billion

to their consumer-members annually as not-for-profit organizations.



832

distribution cooperatives

are the foundation of the electric cooperative network. They were built by and serve co-op members in the community by delivering electricity and other services.



64

generation & transmission cooperatives

provide wholesale power to distribution co-ops through their own electric generation facilities or by purchasing power on behalf of the distribution members.



The cooperative difference



Electric co-ops are local energy and technology providers. They are shaped by the specific needs of the communities they serve. This local, member-owned structure is one reason why cooperatives enjoy the highest consumersatisfaction scores within the electric industry, according to J.D. Power and Associates and the American Consumer Satisfaction Index.

- Co-ops earned the top spot in the J.D. Power and Associates 2017 Electric Utility Customer Satisfaction Study.
- Electric cooperatives, on average, score three points higher than all other energy utilities, according to the 2017 American Consumer Satisfaction Index.

Committed to serving the last mile

- Co-ops serve an average of 8 consumers per mile of electric line; collect annual revenue of \$19,000 per mile of line.
- All other utilities average
 32 customers per mile of line;
 collect \$79,000 per mile.

Electric cooperatives are guided by seven principles:

- 1. Voluntary and open membership
- 2. Democratic member control
- 3. Members' economic participation
- 4. Autonomy and independence
- 5. Education training and information
- 6. Cooperation among cooperatives
- 7. Concern for community

Electric cooperatives are economic engines in their communities





own \$183

billion in

assets



Invest \$12

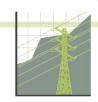
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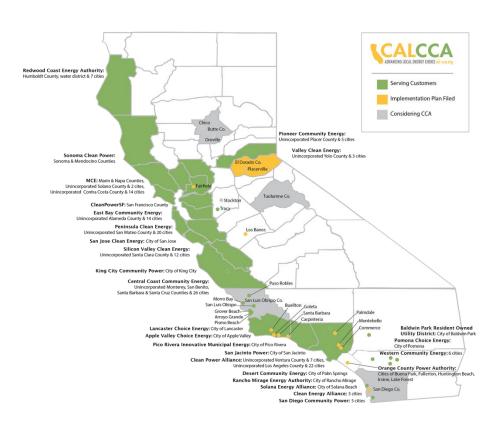


The entire
electric power
sector generates
\$880 billion
in economic
impact annually
(5 percent of
America's GDP)





California's CCAs



California CCA: By the Numbers

- Number of California communities served by CCAs: 201
- **≘** Number of Counties with CCA: 18 of 58 Counties (31%)
- Number of Cities/Towns with CCA: 183 of 482 Cities (38%)
- 🙌 California population served by CCAs: 11 Million+ (27%)

Hidden Economy













Rural Counties
Environmental Services
Joint Powers Authority

ESJPA





Strategies for Engaging the Hidden Economy

Takeaways

More awareness of institutional forms

- Training in institutional analysis
- Enhance stakeholder capacity for public entrepreneurship

Assess APPROPRIATENESS of Institutional Fit and its Relationship to Desire Outcome

- Always-always question institution fit
 - Hybrids AND for profits!
- Scale Local: Favor local control and scalability
 - ...where possible and feasible

Takeaways

Need to systematize public entrepreneurship

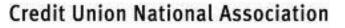
- USDA Regional Rural Development Centers
- Leverage corporate forms
- Innovative financing system
 - Book Public wealth of cities
 - Reimagining the Capital Stack: Full Spectrum Financing (Impact Finance Center)
 - Leverage Credit Union Support Organizations & credit union foundations
 - Institutional building philanthropy
 - The electric co-op model of the "Partner state"















restaurant supply chain













A new way to look at healthcare





- COFFEE FARMERS -



Resources

- Succession
 - Ready for Next Academy https://www.readyfornextacademy.com
- The Democracy Collaborative https://democracycollaborative.org
- Legal Advice
 - http://jrwiener.com (see presentation https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bCOyOzzu0ZE)
 - The SELC https://www.theselc.org
- Learning from Previous Successes Readings
 - Everything for Everyone https://nathanschneider.info/books/everything-for-everyone/
 - Humanizing the Economy https://www.newsociety.com/Books/H/Humanizing-the-Economy
 - Italian Agrifoods System https://www.grocer.coop/articles/building-future
 - Island Cooperative of Maine https://www.iecoop.org/employee/#

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Community-Owned Agrotourism

Uncovering the Hidden Economy

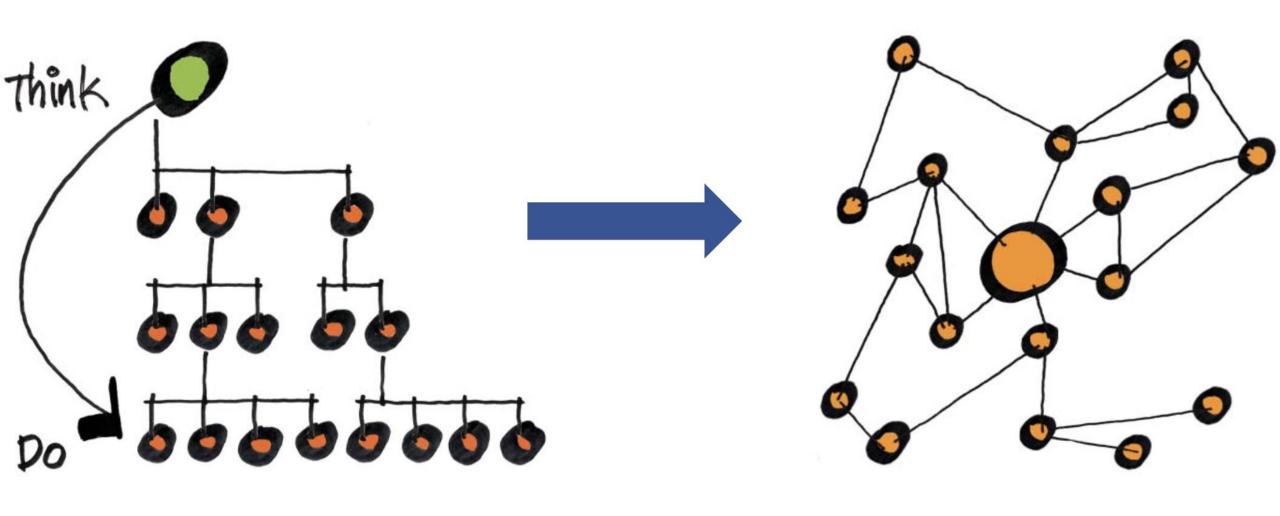


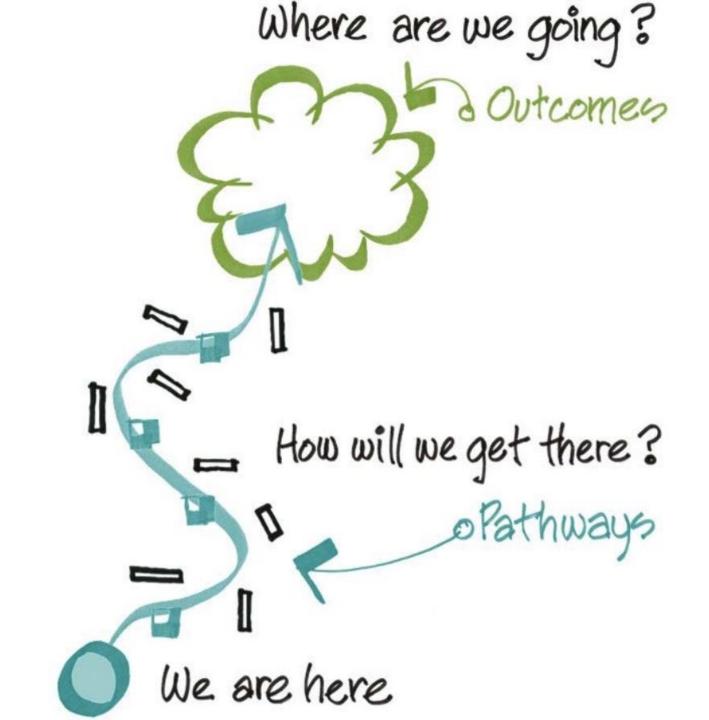
Agenda

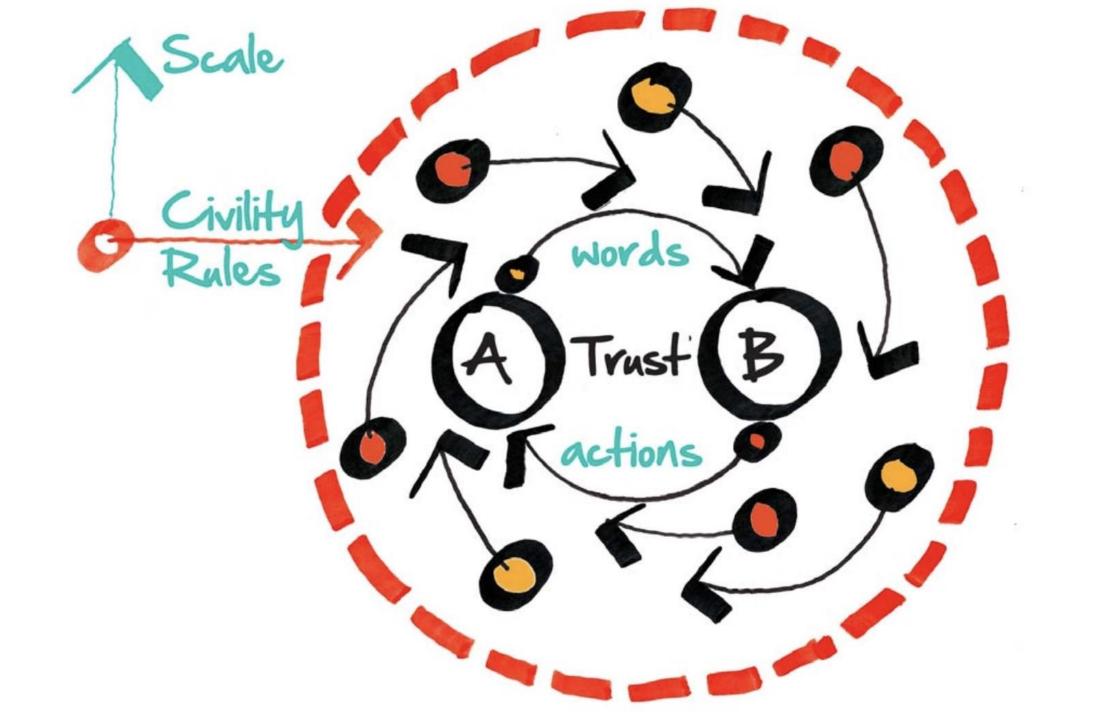
- Problems in Collaboration
- Rules for Collaborating in Complex Networks
- The Strategic Doing Toolbox
- Simulation



Hierarchies are being replaced by networks









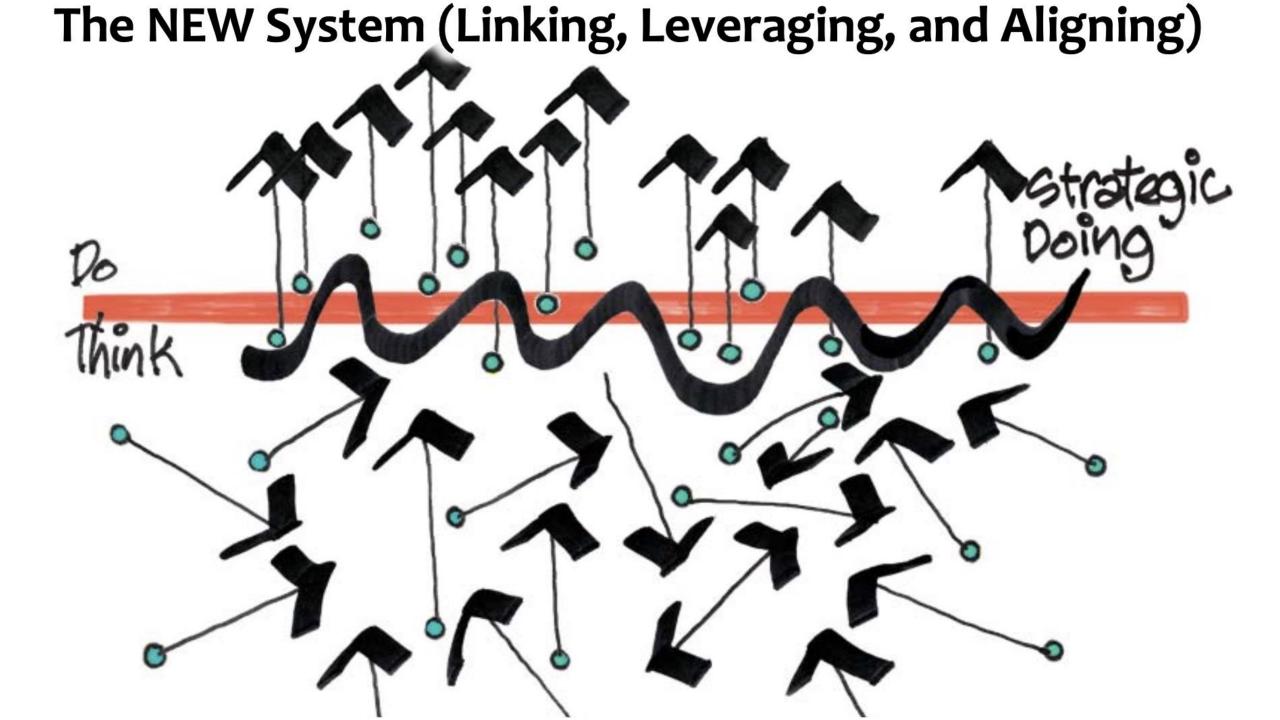
In 2011, a group of Strategic Doing practitioners from all over the country gathered at Indiana's Turkey Run State Park. They composed a credo, a set of beliefs that drive our work.

We believe we have a responsibility to build a prosperous, sustainable future for ourselves and future generations.

No individual, organization or place can build that future alone.

Open, honest, focused and caring collaboration among diverse participants is the path to accomplishing clear, valuable, shared outcomes.

We believe in doing, not just talking-and in behavior in alignment with our beliefs.





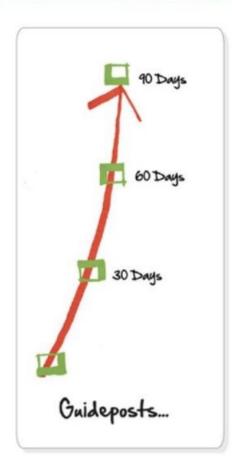


Define at Least One Pathfinder project with Guideposts

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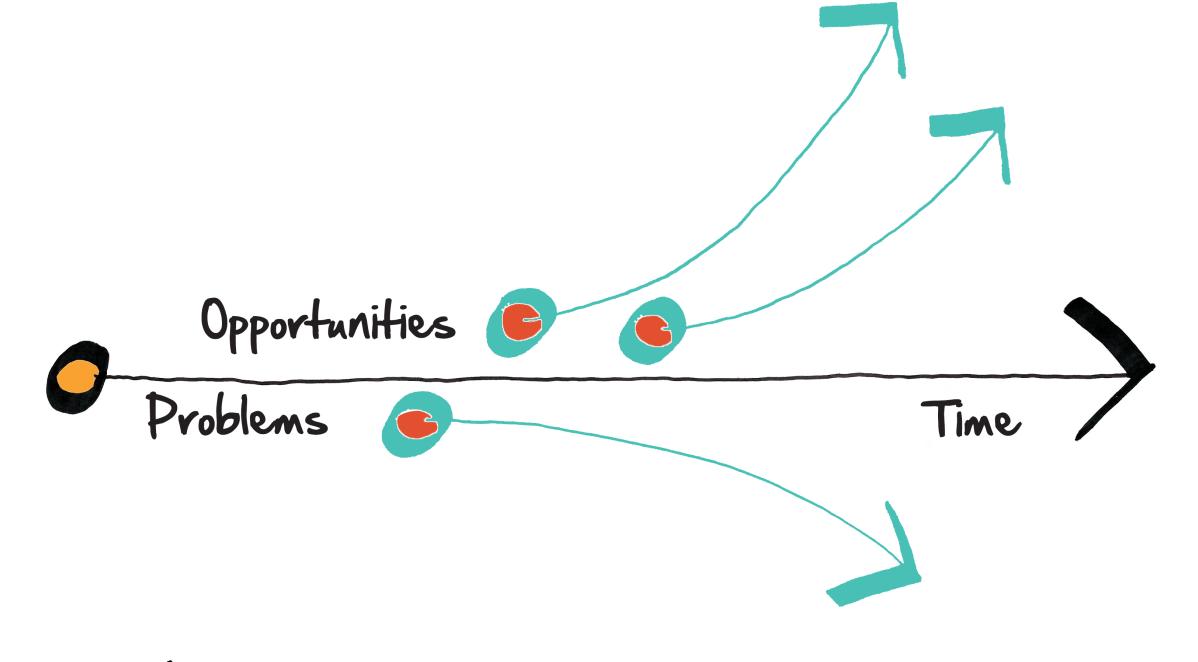
We use the following checklist to define a good Pathfinder project:

- It will engage all the people around the table in doing something to move toward their shared outcome;
- It will be completed within approximately 3 to 6 months (90-180 days);
- It will serve as a vehicle to attract others and "create a buzz";
- It will help the participants in a new collaboration test some key assumptions about whether their outcome is achievable;
- It will have a clear endpoint that will help the network decide whether or not to move forward.



Examples of Pathfinder projects

- Pilots
- Prototypes
- Proofs of Concept
- "White papers"
- Surveys
- Forums



We move in the direction of our conversations...

The "One Rule of Civility"

We will behave in ways that build trust & mutual respect.



Psychological Safety

Be interested in each other as people.

Respect each other's assets.

Don't rejection someone for being themselves or stating what they think.

Believe that others have positive intentions.

Seek and give feedback to one another.

Obtain and provide help or expertise to one another.

Be willing to experiment.

Be willing to making changes and improvements (vs. avoiding change or sticking with a course of action for too long).

Deal with conflict or confrontation constructively.

[1] WHAT COULD WE DO TOGETHER?

CLICK HERE FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON USING THIS VIRTUAL VERSION OF THE ACTION PACK

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PERSON	ASSET(S)

>> Next, you'll connect these assets to create new opportunities

RULE 4: Link and leverage your assets to identify new strategic opportunities (Part 1).

15	min
13	min.

List the connections that spring up from the discussion. Ask questions like "What would that look like?" or "What if we...?"

OPPORTUNITIES	

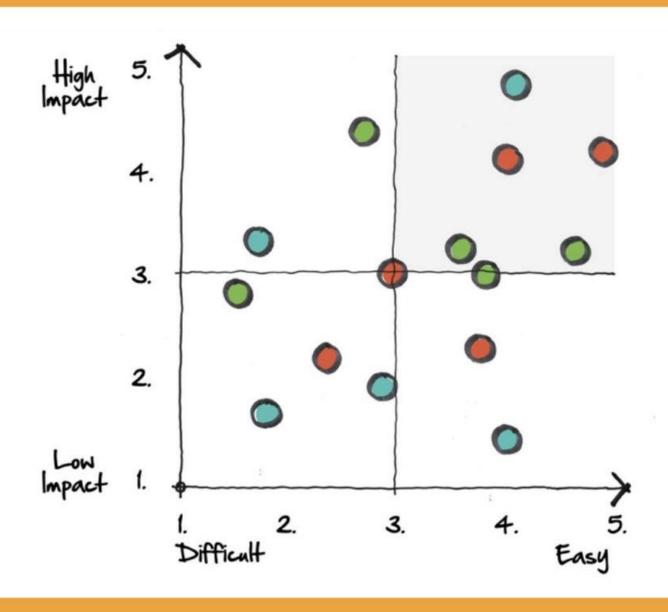
RULE 4: Link and leverage your assets to create new strategic opportunities (Part 2).

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Narrow your link-and-leverage ideas to your three (four if you must) top choices. How could you describe each opportunity in one or two phrases?

"BUMPER STICKER" TITLE (<20 WORDS)	DESCRIPTION

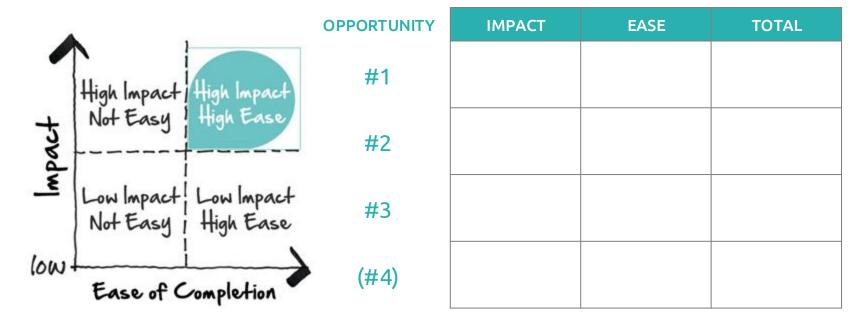
Ranking with a 2x2 Matrix



RULE 5: Rate all your strategic opportunities to find your "Big Easy."

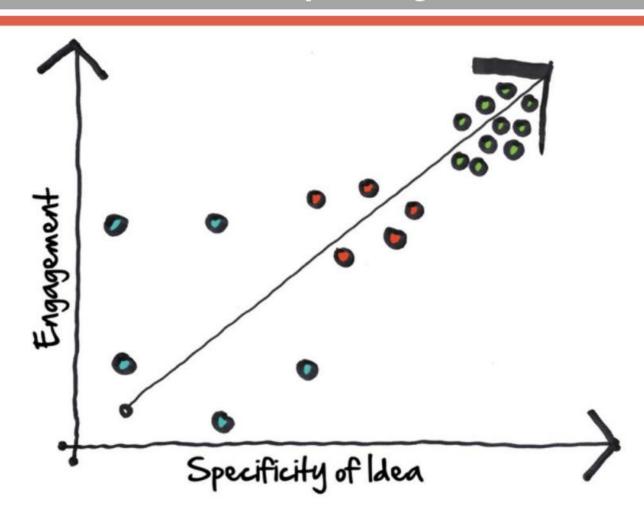


Your "Big Easy" is the opportunity that best combines impact with ease. Rank the ease and impact of the three opportunities from the previous page. First, each person evaluates the potential impact of each opportunity if it was completely successful with 5 being high and 1 being low. Add everyone's numbers. Next each person evaluates how easy or difficult each would be to fully execute with 5 being easy and 1 being difficult. Add everyone's numbers then total impact and ease scores for each opportunity to find your "Big Easy."



>> Next, convert the "Big Easy" into an outcome

Specific, measurable outcomes build engagement and capacity



What does success look like?

- What will we see?
- What will we feel?
- Whose life will be better and

how?

RULE 6: Convert your "Big Easy" into a strategic outcome by adding measurable characteristics.

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What would people see, how would people feel, how would people's lives be different if we were completely successful?

SUMMARY OF STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITY	CHARACTERISTIC	SUCCESS METRIC (<3 PER CHARACTERISTIC)

>> Use the next page to define guideposts and a pathway to reach your outcome

RULE 7: Define a Pathfinder Project with Guideposts.

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Your Pathfinder Project moves you toward your outcome. Guideposts are key steps that are critical to your success; defining a Small number of these will help you stay on your path.

PATHFINDER PROJECT	GUIDEPOSTS	BY WHEN
	1.	
	2.	
	3.	
	(ENDPOINT)	

Checklist for a good Pathfinder Project:

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RULE 8: Draft a short term Action Plan with everyone taking a small step.

15	min.

An Action Plan includes what each of you will do in the next 30 days. The more clearly you understand where you want to go, the more clearly you can see your next steps.

WHO	WHAT WILL BE DONE	DELIVERABLE	BY WHEN

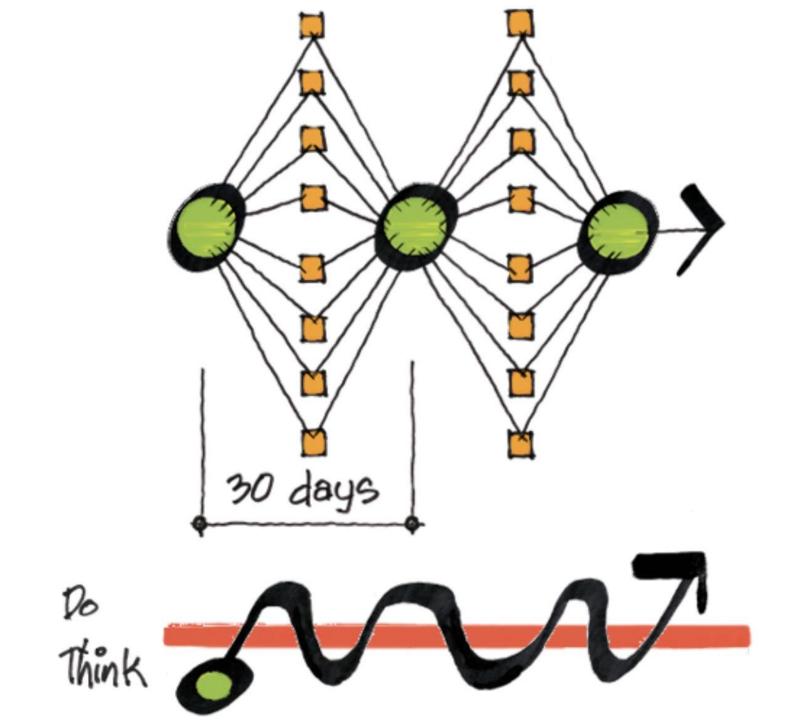
DIGITAL NUDGING IN ACTION

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Generic Message to Group	Please remember that everyone's action items are due by Friday.
Using Receiver's Name	Dave, how are you coming with your action item? Will you complete it by Friday?
Using Receiver's and Sender's Name	Dave, Scott here. How's it coming with your action item? Anything I can do to help? See you Friday.
Using Receiver's and Sender's name and Doing Something to Help	Dave, Scott here. How's it coming with your action item? I've set up a folder called "Dave" for you in Dropbox. Upload it there when you get a chance. See you on Friday!
Using Receiver's and Sender's name, Doing Something to Help, and Pointing to Desired Behaviors	Dave, Scott here. Really cool stuff coming in from Mary and Bill, huh? Can't wait to find out what you've learned from completing your action item. I've set up a Dropbox folder called "Dave" for you. Upload it there when you get a chance. See you on Friday!



THE FINE ART AND GENTLE SCIENCE OF DIGITAL NUDGING Shamah, D. in The Times of Israel More on using digital technology to "nudge."



RULE 9: Set a 30/30 meeting to review progress and make adjustments.

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Maintaining alignment is a dynamic process requiring continuous, but not constant, attention and communication. What has been done in the last 30 days? What needs to happen in the next 30?

FOLL	OW-UP MEETING & (COMMUNICATION
DATE		How we'll share information:
TIME		
PLACE		

RULE 10: Nudge, connect and promote relentlessly to build your new habits of collaboration.

When you meet again for your 30/30 use these questions to guide your conversation.

- 1. What have we each learned (new information, insights, etc.) over the last 30 days while performing our action items?
- 2. Did anything that was to have been done over the last 30 days NOT get done? If not, does it STILL need to be done? If "yes," how will it get done?
- 3. Does our proposed course forward still make sense? Any course corrections need to be made in light of what we've learned over the last 30 days? Do our dates (guideposts, etc.) need adjusting?
- 4. Now...what will each of us do over the NEXT 30 days who will do what, by when, and what is the deliverable?
- 5. When, where, and how will we get together the next time (in about 30 days)?

YOUR STRATEGIC DOING MAP



Having your strategy on one page can help you see the big picture and communicate it with others. Summarize your strategy here so that everyone has talking points.

OUTCOME Where are we going?	
SUCCESS METRICS	1
How will we know when we've arrived?	2
when we ve annea:	3
PATHFINDER PROJECT How will we get started?	
CURRENCETS	1
GUIDEPOSTS How will we know we're not lost?	2
	3

ACTION PLAN What will we each start doing in the next 30 days?	

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OPPORTUNITIES	

Discussion

Questions about

- ...collaborations?
- ...rules for Collaborating in Complex Networks?
- ...using elements of the Strategic Doing Toolbox?
- ...working with CAN on a Pathfinder Project
 - Output? Or what are we working toward?
 - Appreciative question?