



# **Massachusetts Community Health & Healthy Aging Funds**

## **Capacity Building Webinar #2**

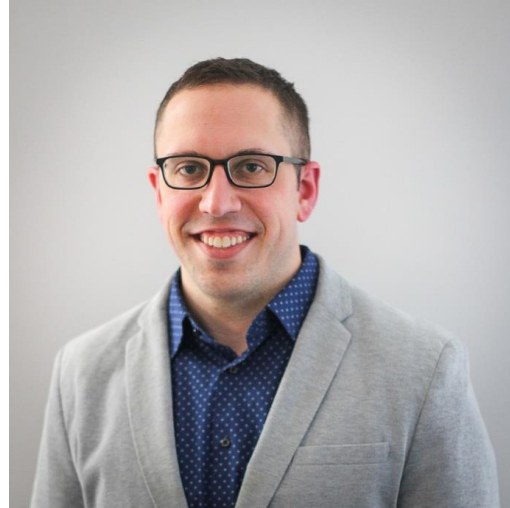
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# Introductions

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# Webinar Objectives

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Participants of this webinar will discuss and understand how to:

- **Engage other partners** in your approach
- **Communicate your idea**
- **Submit your idea** to these funding opportunities



# Agenda

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- Background
- From Idea Formation to Evaluation
- Engaging Partners
- Communicating Your Idea
- Submitting Your Idea
- Resources



# Housekeeping

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- If you have any **questions** related to this webinar, please type them into the chat box. Answers to questions raised will be available on the Frequently Asked Questions webpage.
- When responding to questions, please select “to everyone”
- The webinar recording, slides, and transcript will also be available.
- To make this webinar accessible we will communicate all details on the slides.



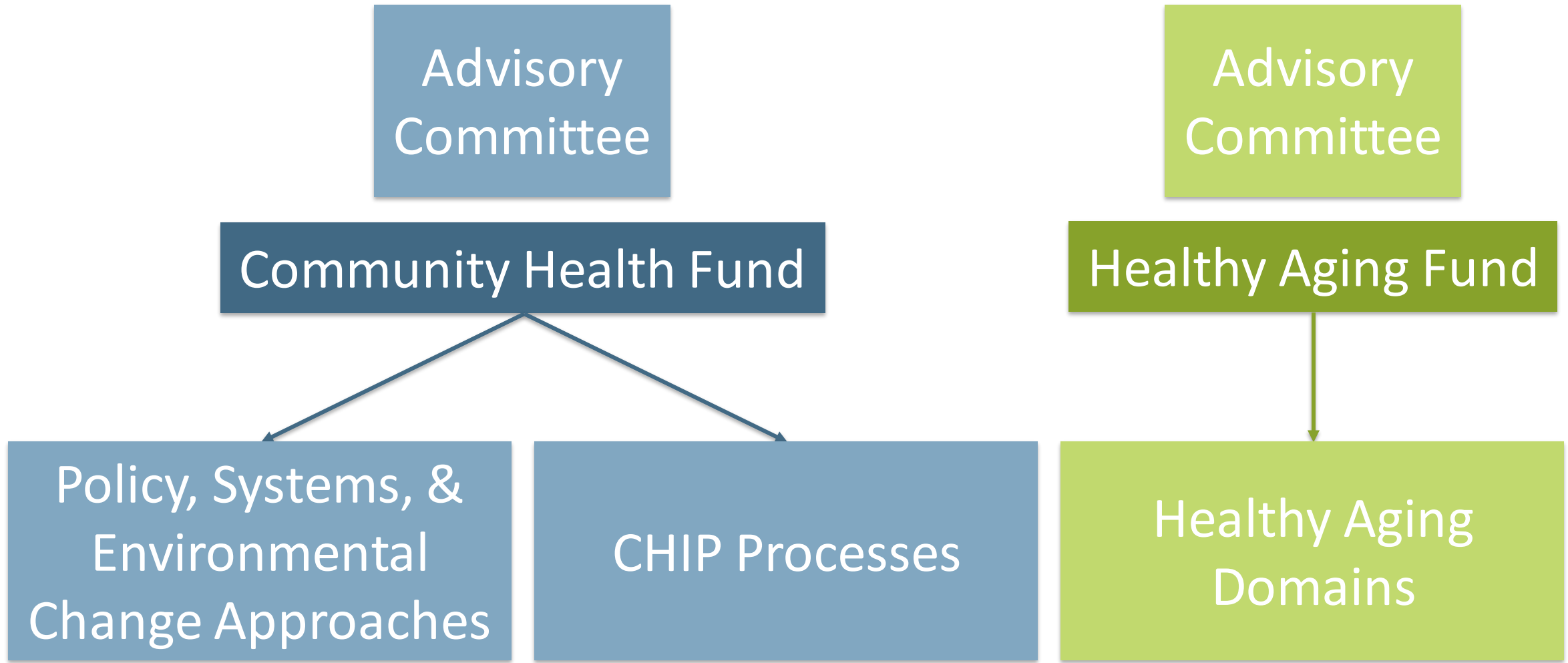
# Background

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# Two Funds and Three Funding Opportunities

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# The Funds' Visions

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**Community Health Fund Vision:** Massachusetts communities are transformed so all residents have an equitable opportunity to have the highest quality of life possible.

**Healthy Aging Fund Vision:** The Healthy Aging Fund resources will contribute to equitable systems across sectors affecting community-level physical environments and social and economic conditions, ultimately leading to a better quality of life and health outcomes for older adults as they age in Massachusetts.



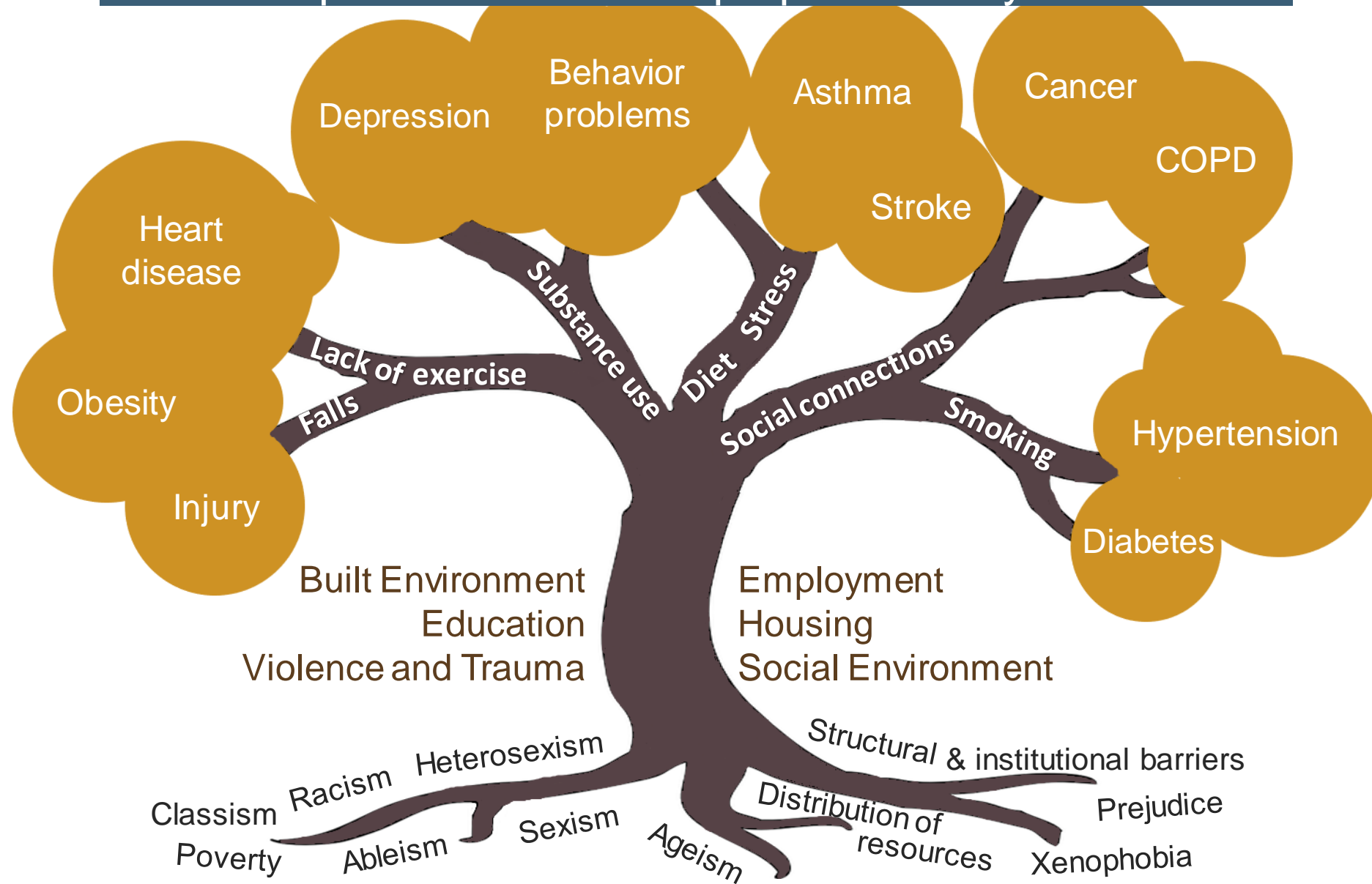
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Health outcomes... influenced by health behaviors...  
shaped by the social determinants of health...  
health inequities created and perpetuated by root causes.



# Defining Health Equity

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**Health Equity** - everyone has a fair and just opportunity to be as healthy as possible. To achieve this, we must remove obstacles to health — such as poverty, discrimination, and deep power imbalances — and their consequences, including lack of access to good jobs with fair pay, quality education and housing, safe environments, and health care.\*

“Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health is the most shocking and the most inhuman because it often results in physical death.”

\*Source: Human Impact Partners, Health Equity Guide  
<https://healthequityguide.org/about/defining-health-equity/>

**Martin Luther King Jr.**



# Additional Information

→ ↺ [mahealthfunds.org/apply/](https://mahealthfunds.org/apply/)

## Funding Announcement Webinars

For more information on how to apply, you can view recordings, slides, and transcripts of the funding announcement webinars:

- Policy, Systems, and Environmental (PSE) Change Funding Announcement Webinar
  - [Webinar Recording](#)
  - [Webinar Slides](#)
  - [Webinar Transcript](#)
- Healthy Aging Funding Announcement Webinar
  - [Webinar Recording](#)
  - [Webinar Slides](#)
  - [Webinar Transcript](#)
- Community Health Improvement Planning (CHIP) Processes Funding Announcement Webinar
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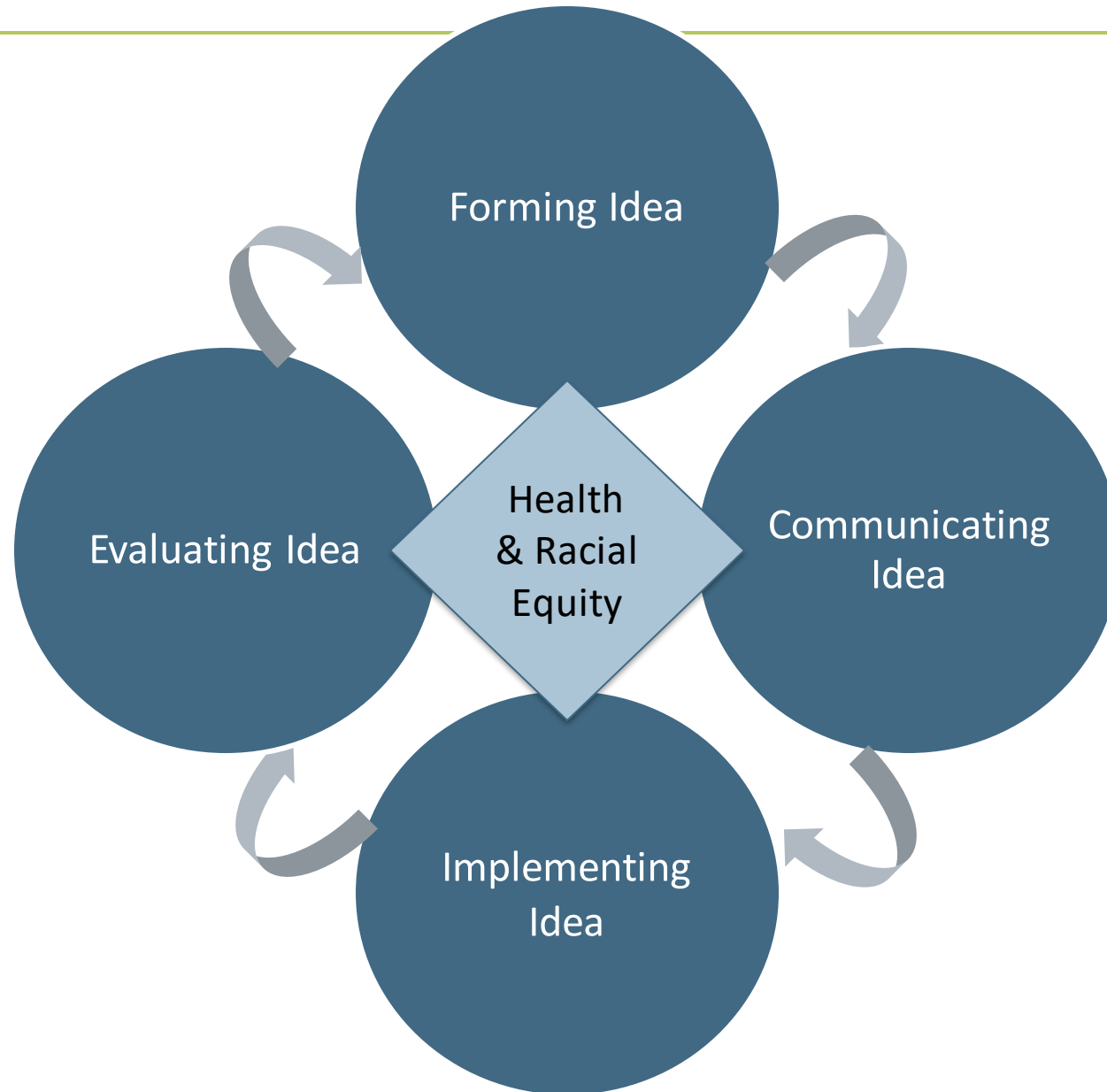
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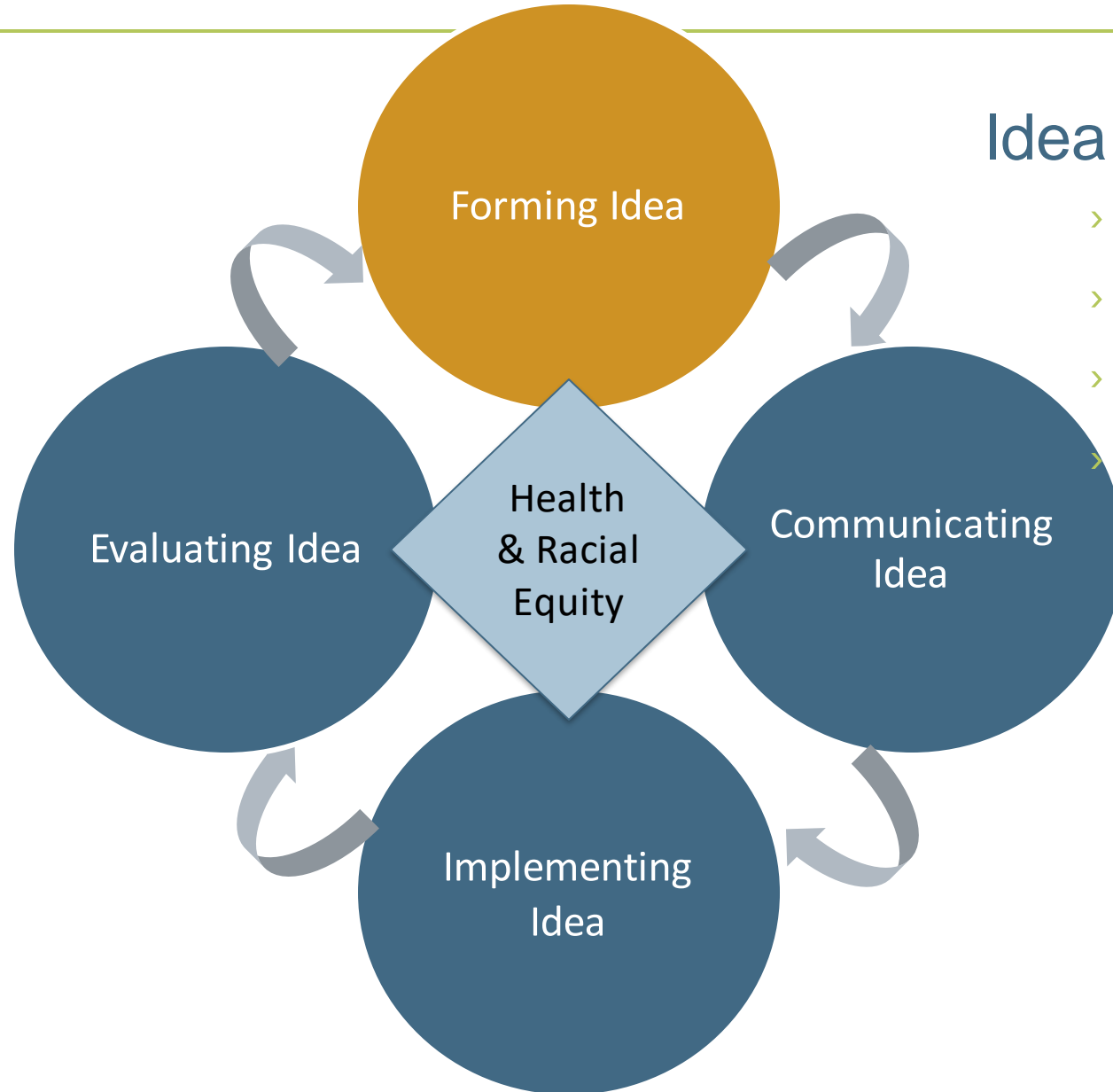
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## Idea Formation

- > **Engaging Community**
- > **Identifying Need and Data**
- > **What's Your Big Idea?**
- > **Engaging Other Partners**



# Your Feedback - Community

# How do you define *Community*?



# Your Feedback - Community

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## **What strategies are effective in engaging your communities?**

- Meeting community where they are
- Taking time and building relationships
- Provide resources for community to participate
- Allow for shared input and learning



# Your Feedback - Data

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**What are other data sources that you're aware of, or that you've used before, that we haven't listed and that you'd suggest to your peers?**

- MassGIS layers
- DESE school and district profiles
- 500 Cities Project
- Essex County Community Foundation – Impact Essex County
- Pioneer Valley's Data Portal
- Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Data
- Community Action Agency Community Needs Assessments



# Your Feedback – Moving Upstream

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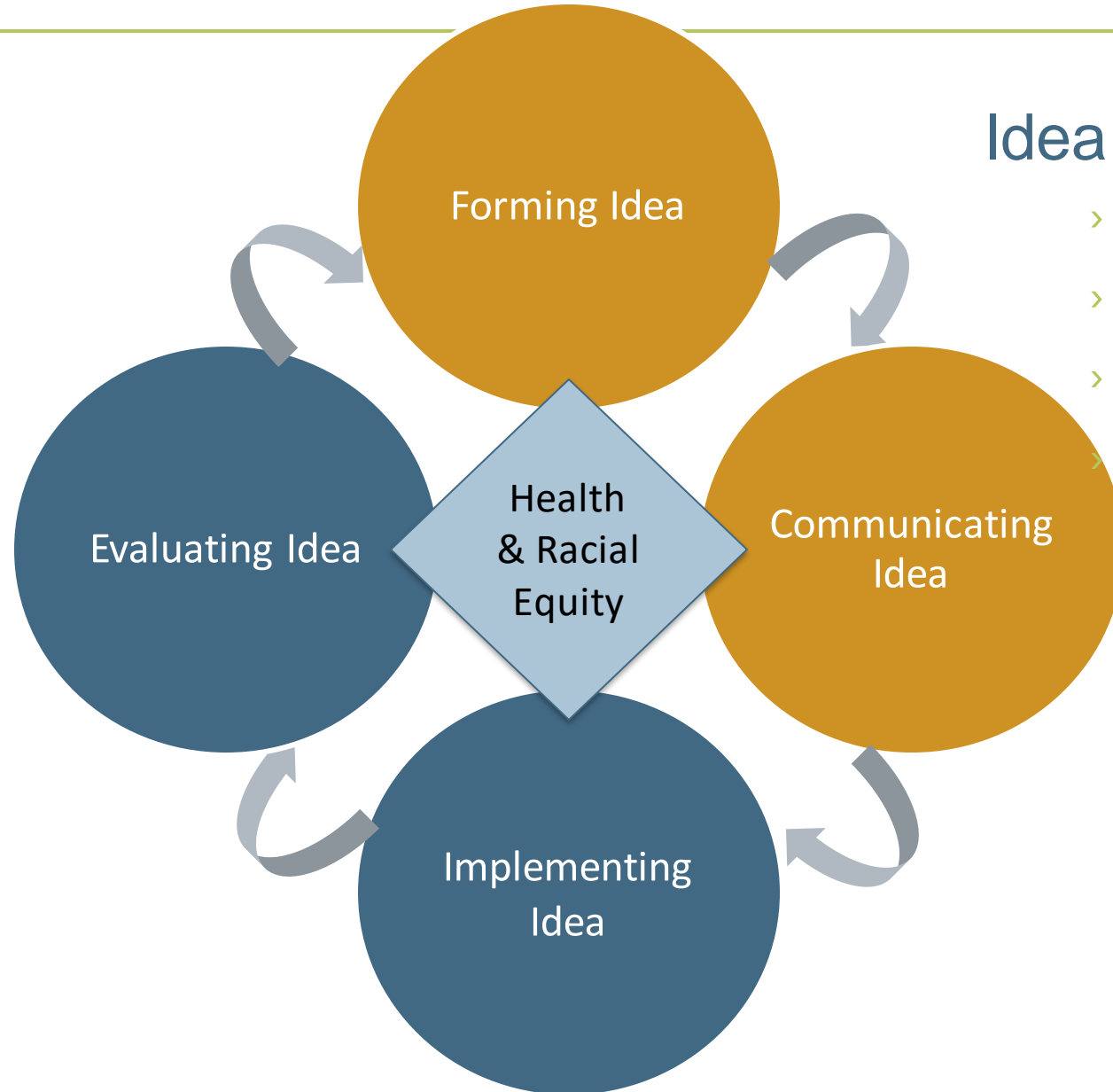
**What would it look like for your organization to move your work upstream?**

- Operating support
- Political advocacy and education of legislators
- Alignment between partners
- More advocacy with bigger systems
- Engage different, diverse decision-makers
- Political will
- Leverage connections with community to create space for underserved populations in leadership



# From Idea Formation to Evaluation

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## Idea Formation

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# Addressing Inequities Guiding Questions

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# Engaging Partners

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# We Want to Hear From You!

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As you think about upstream approaches, who are partners you've engaged, or would like to engage?



# Value of Multi-Sector Partnerships

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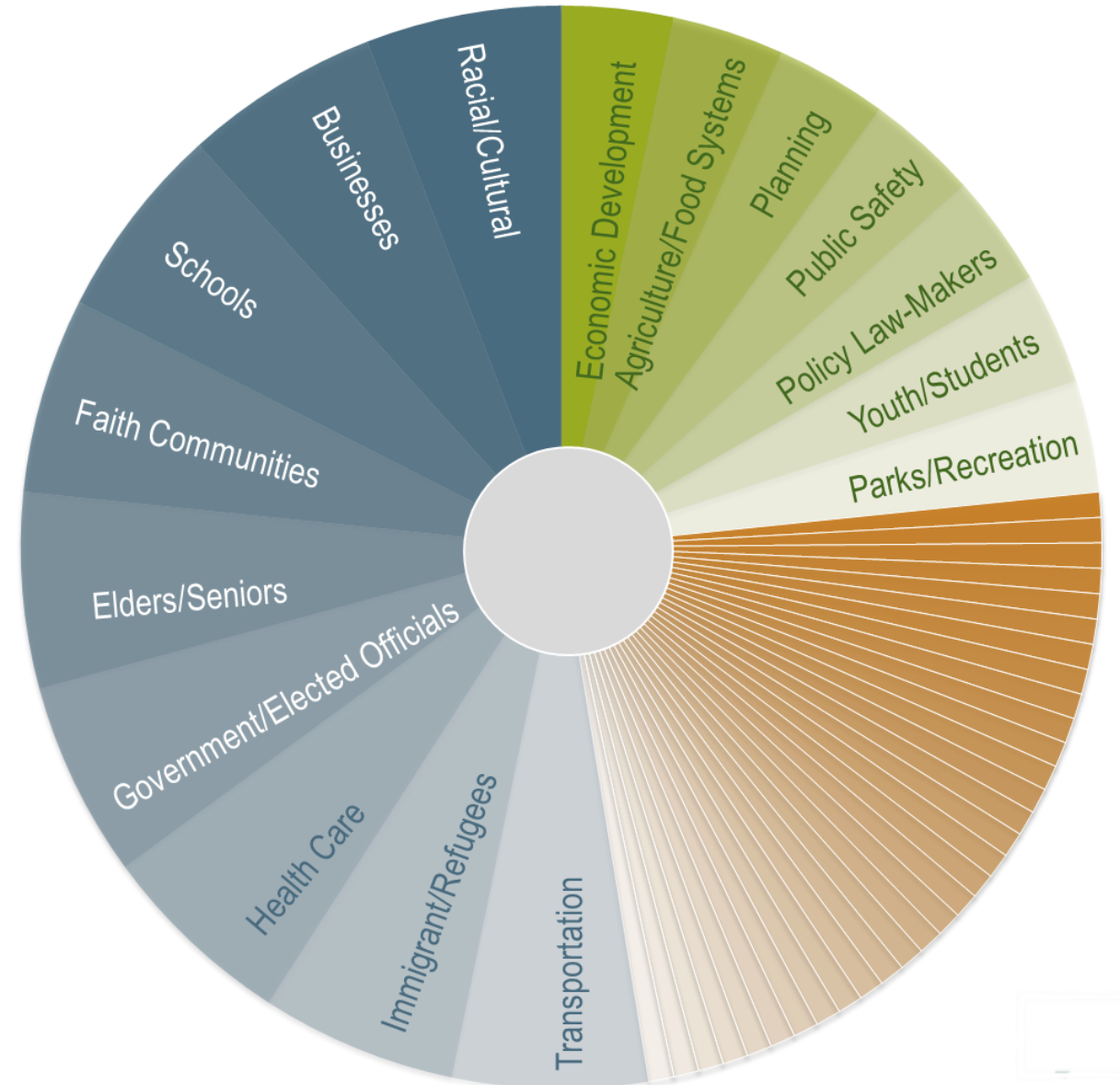


- Address new and broader issues
- Develop widespread support for issues
- Encourage collaborative problem solving
- Create culturally relevant solutions
- Maximize coordinated approaches
- Minimize duplication of efforts
- Increase communication among partners
- Ability to leverage additional resources

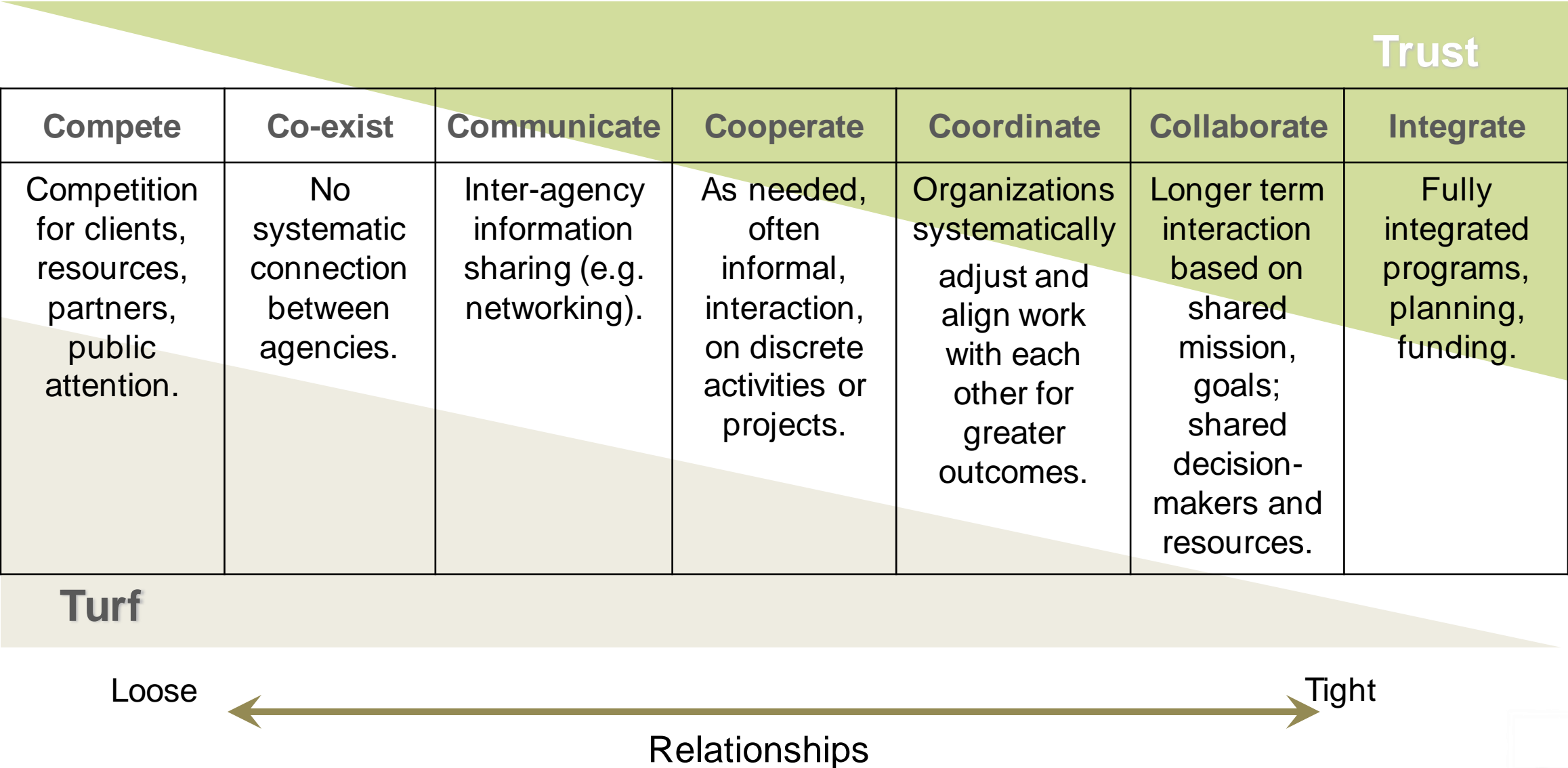


# Sectors to Engage in Partnership

As you think about these funding opportunities, what other sectors might you consider engaging?

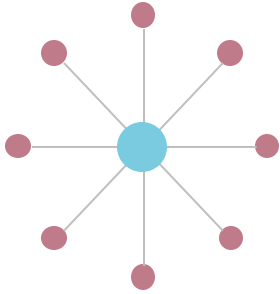


# The Collaboration Spectrum

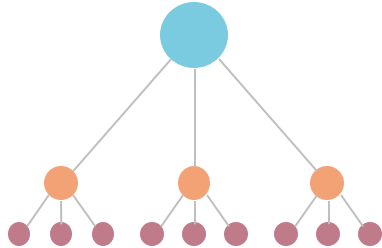


# Types of Collaboration Models

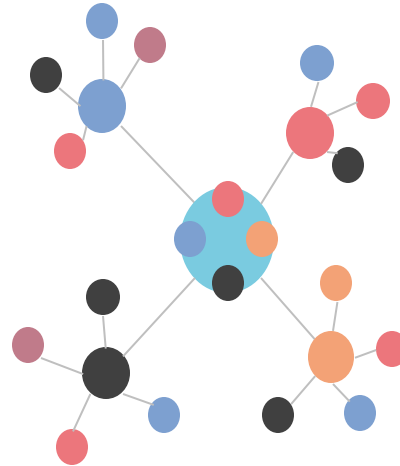
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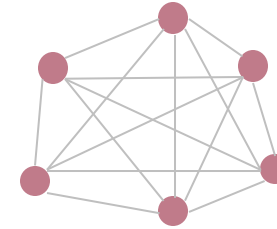
**Hub and Spoke**  
*e.g. traditional funder  
grantee model*



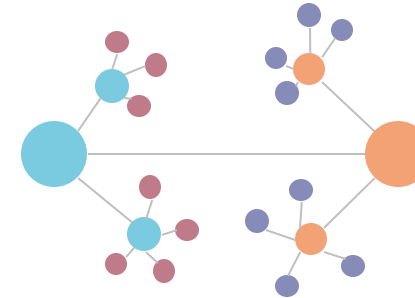
**Affiliate Network**  
*e.g. nonprofit networks*



**Multi-Sector Initiative**  
*e.g. collective impact*



**Coalition**  
*e.g. alliances and learning  
communities*

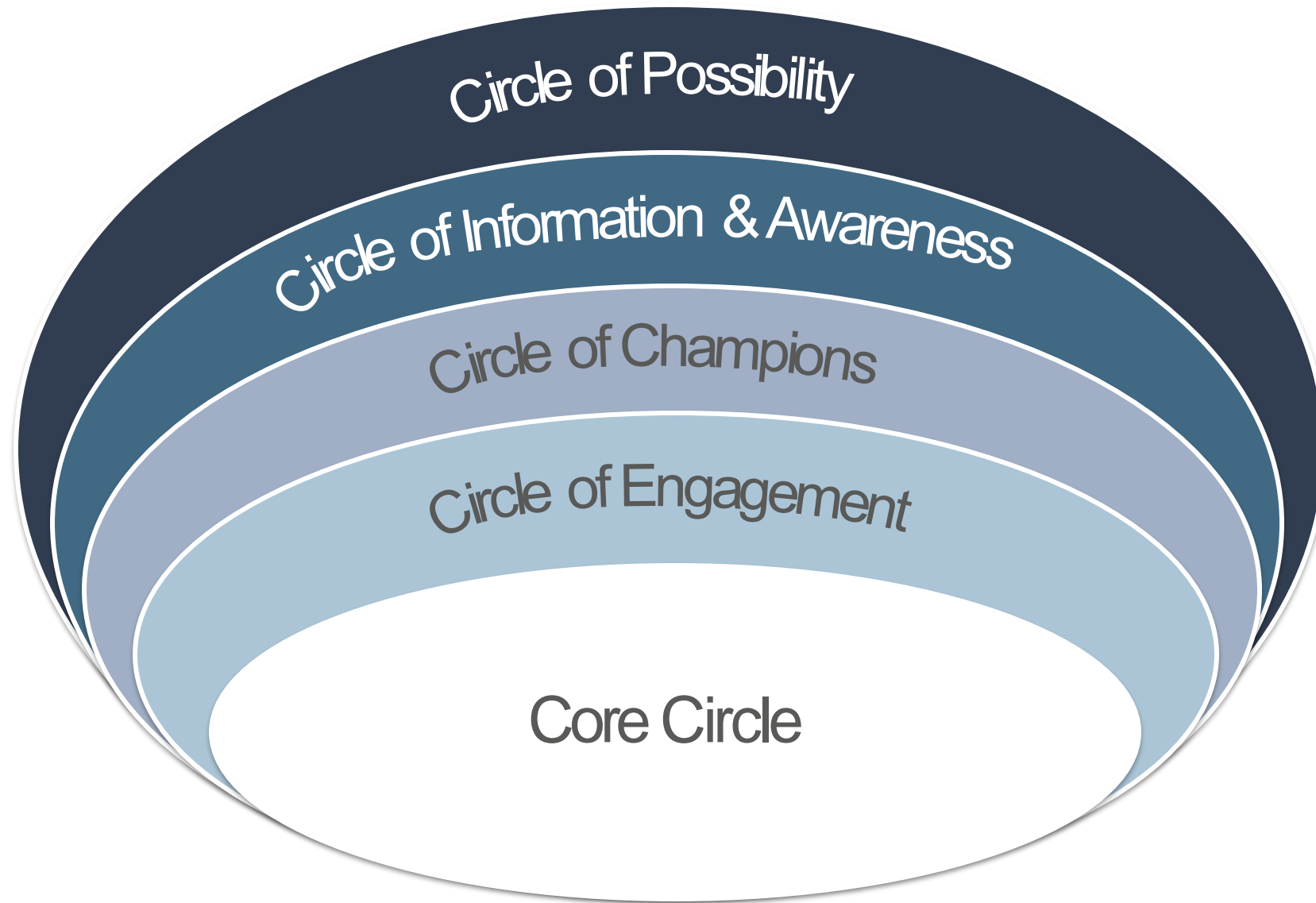


**Bilateral Partnership**  
*e.g. public private  
partnerships*



# Circles of Involvement

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# Barriers to Partnership

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- Unclear, unrealistic, and/or vague goals
- Costs to members exceed benefits
- Balance of responsibility with authority
- Top down external mandates
- Unrealistic timeframes for success
- Lack of trust and time



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What is the biggest challenge you have in identifying and recruiting multi-sector partners?



# Drivers for Successful Partnerships

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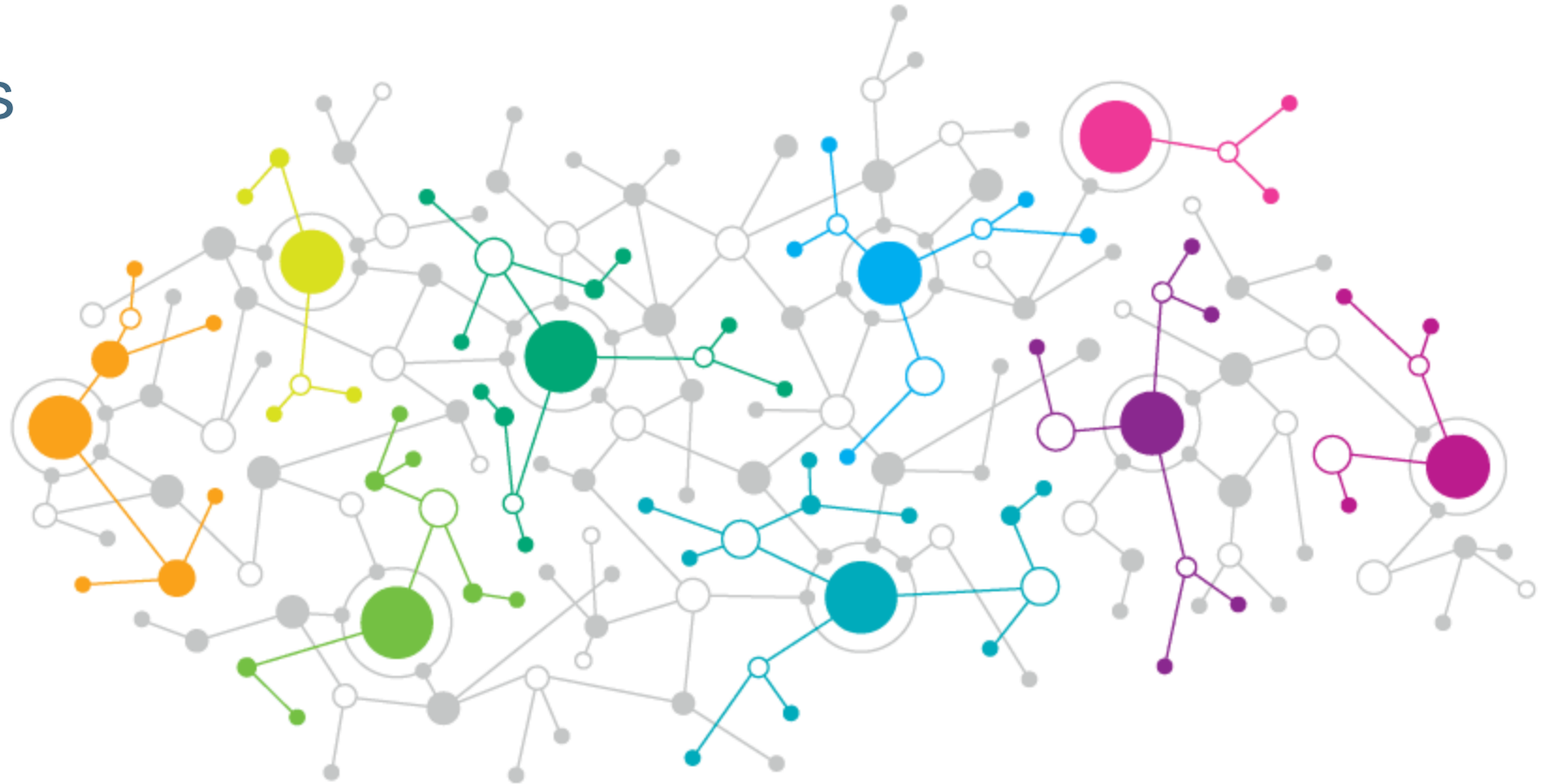
- Mutual understanding and clarity of goals
- Ensuring productivity and mutual benefit
- Finding champions
- Securing trust
- Sharing data



# Tips for Identifying and Recruiting Partners

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- Personal Contacts
- Networking
- Attending Events
- Persistence
- Patience



Source: Kania, J. and Kramer, M., Collective Impact, Stanford Social Innovation Review, 2011.



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What are strategies you've used to identify multi-sector partners?

How do you sustain those partnerships?



# Communicating Your Idea

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# Idea Formation Guiding Questions

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## Who you will serve?

- What is the population with the greatest disparities? Where do those disparities come from?
- What is the need? What are the health and racial inequities?
- What data describes or defines the need?

## What you will do?

- What is your big idea? How will you address the population's need?
- Why are you the best organization to lead this (as compared to others)?
- How does what you plan to do directly connect to the goals of the Funds?

## How you will do it?

- What partners will you engage to achieve your goals? Who else do you need?
- How will you engage members of the community affected by these issues?



# The Three Sections of An IOI or RFP

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- Background
- Approach
- Resources



# Background

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Consider conveying the following in this section:

- How your organization is prepared to do the proposed work (your history and prior experience)
- Who will benefit from your work
- What information you have that demonstrates the need for the population served



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# Approach

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Consider conveying the following in this section:

- Key components of your big idea – what your organization will do
- How the people affected by the issue will be engaged
- Whether you have the right partners at the table
  - If you don't, how you plan to engage them



# Resources

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Consider conveying the following in this section:

- The monetary and non-monetary resources that you need to carry out your work
  - Outline the financial resources can help with people, supplies, and operations
  - Knowledge or skills that would help you do this work



# Tips for Submitting a Powerpoint

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- Use a font that is easily readable
- Develop bullet points or short sentences
- Use art to help convey your message
- Create clear labels for charts and graphs
- Make slide backgrounds subtle and consistent
- Use high contrast between background and text colors
- **Maximums**: 20 slides for Healthy Aging and PSE; 40 slides for CHIP



# Tips for Creating a Video

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- Draft a script or outline for your video
- Use a camera with a tripod if you're filming yourself
- Light your recording area so it isn't too dark
- Speak into a microphone to get clear audio
- Maintain a clean background
- Record multiple takes of the video so you can choose different shots
- Maximums: 15 minutes for Healthy Aging and PSE;  
30 minutes for CHIP



# Other Tips

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- Ensure your proposal is as clear and concise as possible
  - Consider asking a colleague who isn't familiar with your idea or program to review the Idea or Proposal and give feedback
- Spend the majority of the narrative articulating the idea and what your organization will do
- Spell out acronyms at least once
- Utilize spell check feature



# Submitting Your Idea

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# The Application Portal – Basic Steps

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1. Follow the link on the MA Health Funds website
2. Create an account
3. Login
4. Complete Eligibility Questions
5. Complete Part A: Cover Form
6. Complete Part B: Inquiry of Ideas
7. Save or submit



# The Application Portal – How to get there

**Apply**

## Share Your Idea

To share your idea for one or more funding opportunity, download and complete the **Inquiry of Ideas (IOI)** or **Request for Proposal (RFP)**. We encourage applicants to watch a live or recorded funding announcement webinar before submitting an IOI or RFP.

If you are submitting a narrative attachment for your IOI please use the template below.

**Healthy Aging Fund IOI Template**  
Policy, Systems, and Environmental Change IOI Template\*  
Community Health Improvement Planning Proposal Template\*

*\*These will be made available prior to their due dates.*

**To submit your application, visit our [online portal](#).**

You will need to create an account and login. Then, complete Part A: Cover Form and Part B: Idea attachment.

For assistance in navigating the portal, please first check the slides, transcript, and recording of our second capacity building webinar on Thursday, September 12, 2019. These materials will be located under Resources shortly after the webinar. Should you need additional assistance, please contact Emily Breen, Grants and Program Coordinator, at [ebreen@hria.org](mailto:ebreen@hria.org).



# Accessing the Portal

1. Follow the link provided. This is the page you will see the first time



Health Resources in Action  
*Advancing Public Health and Medical Research*

Contact Us | Logout

## Please Sign In

Welcome to Health Resources in Action's online portal for application and report submission.

**NEW Users:** Click the "Create an Account" link below to get started.  
*We recommend creating your account with a general email inbox.*

**RETURNING Users:** If you have an account, enter your email address and password to login.  
If needed, click the "Forgot Password" link below to reset your password.

E-mail

Password

Create an Account

Forgot Password?

Login

2. Create an Account

## New Applicant?

An account allows you to access your saved and submitted applications at any time. It also allows us to send you a submission confirmation e-mail and notify you if additional information is necessary to process your application.

E-mail

Confirm E-mail

Password (must contain at least 5 characters, with both letters and numbers)

Confirm Password

Continue

Return to login

# The Application – Eligibility Reminders

— Massachusetts —

COMMUNITY HEALTH AND  
HEALTHY AGING FUNDS

Contact Us | Application Materials | Logout

Please complete the following questions to verify your eligibility for the Healthy Aging Fund.

I am starting a new application for the Massachusetts Healthy Aging Fund. (Go to your Account Page to return to a saved application)

-Select One- ▼

I understand the deadline to submit an Inquiry of Ideas (IOI) for the Healthy Aging Fund is **Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 2:00 PM.**

-Select One- ▼

I am representing a non-profit 501(c)(3), municipality, or quasi-governmental entity (such as a regional planning agency).

-Select One- ▼



# The Application – Instructions and Important Links

— Massachusetts —

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HEALTHY AGING FUNDS

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Instructions

Part A: Cover Form

Part B: Inquiry of Idea

Certifications

Review My Application

Instructions

Printer Friendly Version

\* Required before final submission

*Please read the following instructions before you begin.*

- The Healthy Aging Fund Inquiry of Ideas and the application template for narrative submissions are accessible via the **Application Materials** link in the upper right corner.
- Please save your work as you complete the application by clicking **Save and Continue**. You can also return to a saved application by clicking **Save and Finish Later**. To return to a saved application, visit your Account Page.
- If you have any questions related to the Healthy Aging Fund, click the **Contact Us** link in the upper right corner. If you need assistance or have questions regarding the applicant portal and submitting your application, please contact Emily Breen at ebreen@hria.org directly.

Save & Finish Later

Save & Continue

# The Application – Part A: Cover Form

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**Organization to Lead Proposed Project**

\* **Organization Name**

Please list the organization to lead the proposed project. If the organization to lead the proposed project is different from the fiscal sponsor, please enter fiscal sponsor information below. If there is no fiscal sponsor, please list the legal name and Tax ID of your organization again in the section below.

**Organization Information (or Fiscal Sponsor if applicable)**

\* **Legal Name of Lead Organization**

Awards will be transmitted to this organization. If you are applying independently, please list your organization information here. If you are applying with a fiscal sponsor, list them here.

\* **Tax ID/Employer ID Number of Lead Organization**

**Contact Information**

***Organization's Highest Ranking Official Contact Information***

# The Application – Part B

— Massachusetts —

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Instructions

Part A: Cover Form

Part B: Inquiry of Idea

Certifications

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Part B: Inquiry of Idea

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Inquiry of Idea Attachment Submission

*Instructions*

To describe your idea in more detail, you will need to upload an attachment that addresses the questions in the Inquiry of Ideas (IOI). To review the IOI, click on the Application Documents link in the right hand corner.

This attachment may be any one of the following:

- Narrative Document (.doc or .pdf) up to 5 pages, 12 pt font, single-spaced, half-inch margins
- Video (URL) up to 15 minutes
- Presentation (.ppt or .pdf) up to 20 slides

**Narrative**

If you are submitting a narrative, please use the [application template](#) available via the Application Materials link in the upper right corner. Please save your file as: **Healthy Aging\_[Organization Name] IOI**. Example: Healthy Aging\_Health Resources in Action IOI.

**Presentation**

If you are submitting a presentation. Please save your file as: **Healthy Aging\_[Organization Name] IOI**. Example: Healthy



# The Application – Review and Submit

— Massachusetts —

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**Certifications**Printer Friendly Version

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I certify that:

- I have read the Healthy Aging Fund Inquiry of Ideas in full.
- I understand that the deadline to submit a Idea for the Healthy Aging Fund is **Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 2 PM** and no late submissions will be accepted.
- The answers submitted in this application are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- My organization's senior leadership is aware of and supportive of this application.

\* Initials

Save & Finish Later Review & Submit

# Reminders

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- Log into the online portal before the deadline to create an account and familiarize yourself with its format
  - Contact Emily at [ebreen@hria.org](mailto:ebreen@hria.org) with any technical challenges as soon as possible.
- You can save your application and finish later.
- Consider submitting before 2 PM deadlines!



# Resources

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# Capacity Building and Technical Assistance

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- E-mail questions to [CHFUND@hria.org](mailto:CHFUND@hria.org) or [HealthyAgingFund@hria.org](mailto:HealthyAgingFund@hria.org)
- Visit our Frequently Asked Questions webpage, [www.MAHealthFunds.org/frequently-asked-questions](http://www.MAHealthFunds.org/frequently-asked-questions)
- Sign up for a 15-minute phone session with a technical assistance provider to discuss additional questions. More information at <https://mahealthfunds.org/capacity-building-opportunities/>



# Visit Our Website

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