#### LSAP Goal #7 Community Resilience and Empowerment

#### some helpful images

WHAT MAKES A COMMUNITY RESILIENT?
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#### WHAT MAKES A COMMUNITY RESILIENT?

## **Resilient Communities begin in neighborhoods...** Why neighborhoods?

- Neighborhoods are where everyone can be involved.
- Neighborhoods are where individual actions make a difference and can become collective action.
- Neighbors working together can provide the motivation and encouragement needed for success.





...residents interact with each other through a variety of formal and informal networks...



...residents have positive **relationships with the natural world** and awareness of the native flora and fauna. Residents **cooperate to help nature succeed**...









... *landscape and green spaces* mitigate heat, preserve and conserve water supplies, and provide habitat for wildlife via corridors and "lily" pads...



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#### **Resilient Communities have neighborhoods where...**







...a strong local food system exists...residents can grow or purchase food which is local, in season and organic wherever possible. Farmers markets and CSAs are available. Food deserts are minimized...









...carbon footprint is considered and minimized by community planning and cooperation which encourages walkable/bikeable lifestyles and renewable resources...



...a strong local economy provides goods, services and just employment with the least waste and damage to the environment...



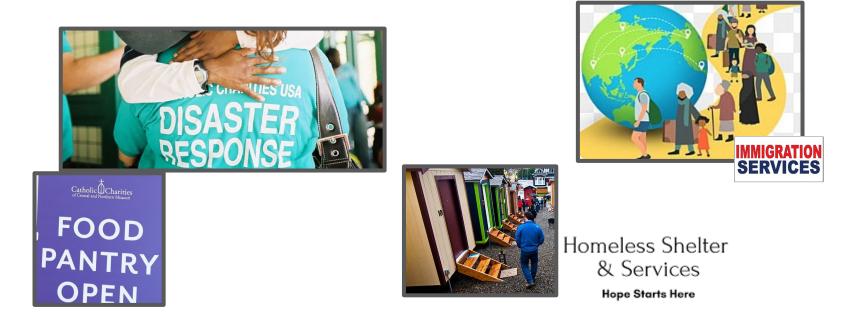








...water systems are sustained through residential and municipal planning, conservation and pollution avoidance...



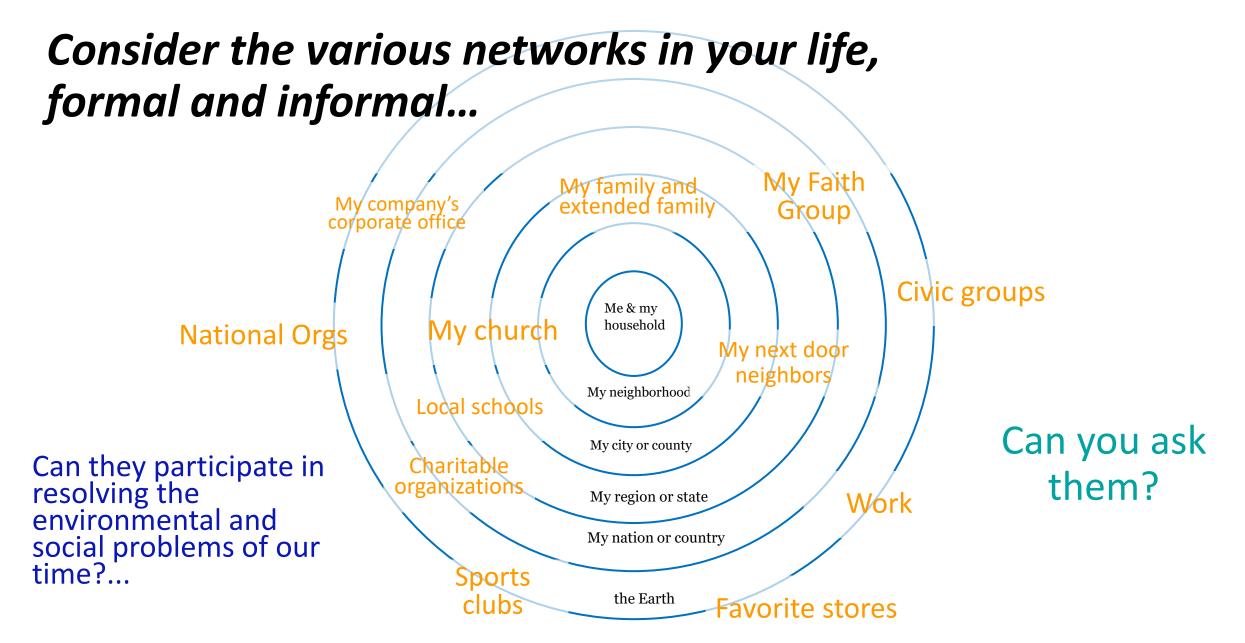


...those who are struggling are helped...newcomers are welcomed and integrated...

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#### ...what characteristics would you add?...

#### CONNECTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS



# Consider the various networks in your life, formal and informal...

Can they participate in resolving the environmental and social problems of our time?...

5 Ways Persuade 1. Do, don't Preach 2. Do something 3. Show, don't tell. 4. Give them steps 5. Stay positive

Can you ask them?

#### BUILDING RESILIENCE WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY



#### Finally, re-consider Pope Francis' reflection on Civic

and Political Love"...



"We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it.

Care for nature is part of a lifestyle which includes the capacity for living together and communion. Jesus reminded us that we have God as our common Father and that this makes us brothers and sisters. Fraternal love can only be gratuitous; it can never be a means of repaying others for what they have done or will do for us. That is why it is possible to love our enemies. This same gratuitousness inspires us to love and accept the wind, the sun and the clouds, even though we cannot control them. In this sense, we can speak of a "universal fraternity". Laudato Si', 228 & 229.

#### God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good... Genesis 1:31

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