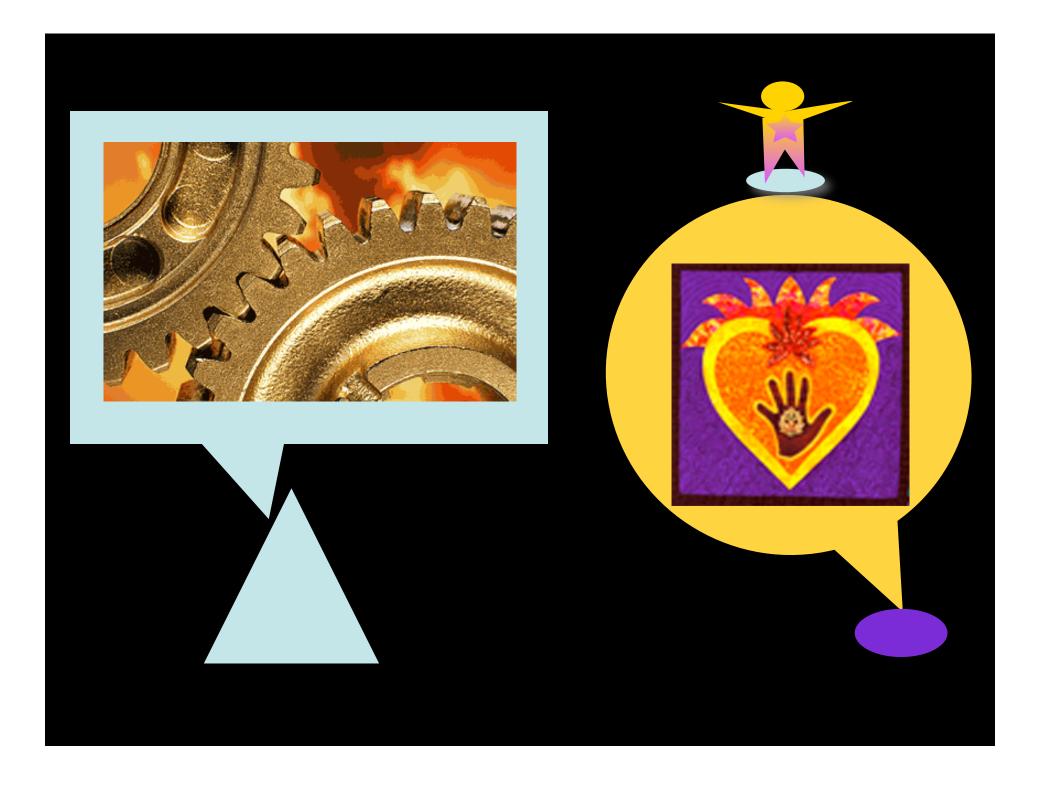


Capacity Thinking

The art of discovering

what people can contribute to community life

ways to embody their contribution



How can we make sure that this person follows health & safety regulations and does not expose us to legal liability or threaten our license?



"I feel free"

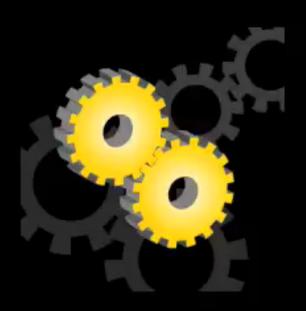
"We are in this together" "I am at home"

How can this person

show up in ordinary life

as a valued friend and a

contributing citizen?



3 kinds of Power Ability & willingness to...

Power over



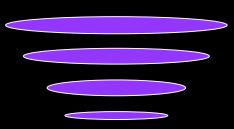
...make decisions for others & enforce compliance

Power with



...listen to & be influenced by others' perceptions & suggestions & offer perceptions & suggestions in return

Power from within



...discover & creatively express abilities & concerns which are spiritually meaningful

What increases the likelihood that people will take actions to move current reality toward a more desirable future?

"The field of psychology is plagued by a chronic condition of negativity regarding human development and functioning . . . We are more heavily invested in intricate theories of failure than in theories of success."



Self-efficacy - People's belief in their capacity to organize & carry out the actions necessary to produce a desired effect.

Albert Bandura



What increases self-efficacy?

People are more likely to take positive action when...

- ...they believe that what they do makes a difference
- ...they learn by seeing others choose, work toward, & achieve positive changes
- ...they can organize & work with others to achieve what they can't do alone
- ...they can get help when they need it & the help doesn't take them over

A Variety of Resources

	A variety of Resources
	• qualities •abilities •possessions
Individual	 knowledge • concerns * habits
Relationship	Individuals people can count on as friends: for fellowship, support & to get things done
Network	Informal groups: support one another and get things done together
Association	Identified group that confers membership, defines roles, takes positions, gets things done
Service	Bureaucratic structure to get things done for eligible people: formalized relationship.

RELATIONSHIPS TURN MY RIGHTS INTO REALITIES