

“All Over the Map Instructions”

1. Draw your group in the center of the page.
2. In the next layer, put those agencies, organizations, and people who are in direct contact with the group. In addition, include the role that they play in the group. This layer can include the organizations that members are representing.
3. In the outermost layer, put those organizations and businesses who are indirectly involved in your group (e.g., donors, corporations, local business, media)
4. An ecomap can be used to show how groups are related to each other. Use different colors, shapes, and lines to show these relationships for your community.
 - A. Use shapes to indicate your reason for being involved.
 - Circles used for members who are mandated to be involved in the group.
 - Squares used for members who are voluntarily involved in the group.
 - B. Use lines to indicate the level of the connection.
 - Use a solid line to indicate a strong relationship.
 - Use a dotted line to indicate a relationship that is unsure.
 - Use arrows to show the direction of relationship - is it one-way or two-way.
 - C. Use colors to indicate the level of involvement in your group.
 - RED: Greatest degree of involvement
 - YELLOW: Moderate degree of involvement
 - BLUE: Sporadic degree of involvement
 - GREEN: Low degree of involvement
5. Complete this exercise by yourself. (8 to 10 minutes)
6. Get into groups of five members and complete an overall collaboration ecomap. (10 minutes)
7. Bring your smaller groups together and create an overall collaboration ecomap by reviewing the small groups' ecomaps. (10 minutes)