

Growing Learning Communities

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Six Qualities of Successful Social Entrepreneurs

- Willingness to self-correct
- Willingness to share credit
- Willingness to break free of established structures
- Willingness to cross disciplinary boundaries
- Willingness to work quietly
- Strong ethical impetus

David Bornstein *How to Change the World*

Community Development - the lessons learned

- Community development should address community needs and be owned by them.
- The message must be understood by the community.
- Projects must be democratic and led with integrity.
- Patience is essential.
- Work to short-term incentives.
- Engage the community and policy makers at the same time.

Wangari Maathai The Green Belt Movement

Growing Learning Communities: fundamental principles

- Social justice - equity
- Inclusion and diversity
- Impact
- Sustainability
- Cumulative

Growing Learning Communities: practice

- Community dialogue
- Shared leadership development
- Capacity building
- Succession planning
- Listening to the hard to hear
- Relationships and interpersonal connections
- Review and reflection

The School as a Generator of Social Capital

“...no one sets out to 'build social capital' ”

Robert Putnam

- Health and diet
- Sport
- Creative and performing arts
- Enhancing the environment
- Inclusion
- Political action
- Celebration