

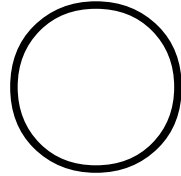
Association:

A group of local community members joined together with a vision of a common goal



Association Members:

- Decide What they want to do
 - Decide How they want to do it
 - Take action and DO IT!
- (No Mother May-I's required)



Unrecognized Power of Associations

- Effective
- Amplifier of Gifts
- Reach Large Numbers
- Affect Attitudes and Behaviors
- Creative
- Vision - "Association of Associations"

VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

TYPES OF ASSOCIATIONS

Artistic Organizations: Rock bands, dance groups, theater groups

Business Organizations: Chamber of Commerce, neighborhood business associations

Charitable Groups and Drives: Red Cross, AIDS Task Force, Cancer Society, Salvation Army

Church Groups: Altar Society, Bible study groups, choir

Community Support Groups: Friends of the Library, Historic Preservation Society

Seniors Groups: Grey Panthers, America Association of Retired Persons

Interest Groups: Car and motorcycle clubs, recycling groups, writer's groups and book clubs

Informal Support Networks: Kinship networks, informal groups of neighbors, relatives and friends

Mutual Support: adoptive and foster parent groups, AA, ADHD groups, La Leche, Habitat for Humanity

Neighborhood Groups: Block watch, neighborhood associations

Outdoor Groups: Garden clubs, Audubon Groups, Nature Conservancy

Political Organizations: Democrats, Republicans

Professional Organizations: Unions, Bar Association, Medical Society

School Groups: PTA, adopt a school groups, volunteer tutors

Service Clubs: Sertoma, Lions, League of Women Voters

Social Cause Groups: Stonewall Union, housing and hunger task forces, M.A.D., A.R.C.

Sports/Health Clubs: Sports leagues, runner's clubs

Youth Organizations: Scouts, 4-H, computer clubs

Association Interview

IDENTIFY - address, telephone, contact person

MEETINGS - time, date, place, open or by invitation

LEADERS - who are they?

STATED MISSION - the primary reason you meet

WHAT ELSE DO YOU DO

- For others and yourself?
- For others primarily?

WHAT MIGHT YOU DO IN THE FUTURE?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING ON "X"? (our theme or issue)

YES - NEXT STEPS?

- Involve your membership?
- What could you contribute?

YES and NO

- What other local associations are you connected to/know about?