

Planning the storytelling component of Envision Victor

- Barbara – we have created a timeline of storytelling trainings and actual activities that lays out what I imagine is possible and would be really quite wonderful for the next six months:
 - Between now and May 14th when I will return:
 - we must start mapping the community, goals, and capacity, event
 - what is the geography
 - what are the groups
 - who are the hubs
 - story holders
 - what capacity do we have in storytelling, techniques, etc. Who might be interested available, who can we reach out to, who can offer technical expertise
 - using the identities exercise is a good way to see new connections (such as what we saw with Chris and Carmen)
 - events... thinking about who is associated with that event.
 - From this map, we must begin major outreach efforts
 - are there storyholders? are there story collectors?
 - who will be our facilitators
 - who will be involved with story circles
 - Get our initial facilitators out there (Carmen, Sue, Dahvi, Cari, Sandy)....
 - They should go to whoever they want to in these initial stages. I would like to see Sue do two, see Carmen do two, I would like to see Dahvi do one. Anyone can...
 - There is no big agenda to get stuff from these... this is to have fun, try it out... If we can get get to a wordle with these, we are doing well. Even in the short activities we did this week, people made discoveries about each other that they did not know.
 - Start a couple of projects
 - a calendar project has a huge bang... Carmen and Chris could work on that....
 - a postcard project? If you start to ask people... start taking photos of Victor right now and Victor then. Start to create a repository of images that you can make into postcards.... easy program to annotate them.... * DAHVI SPOKE TO THE FOLKS AT THE EMPORIUM, AND THEY HAVE SAID THAT PEOPLE COME IN LOOKING FOR VICTOR POSTCARDS ALL THE TIME. THEY WOULD LOVE TO SELL THEM, IF THEY ARE AFFORDABLE.

- could there be a location in Victor with ground zero for Envision Victor? We should identify the gathering spots for different groups, and create some kiosks or places....
 - get feedback, ask people how it is going... make sure you are really getting the word out and getting their ideas...
 - get some initial values
 - Barbara will come back 5/14-16, at which time we will do:
 - advanced story circles, begin youth training, training the trainers, beginning facilitation
 - first story interview workshop
 - kick-off event... where some of the results of our work gets shared.
 - Between May 14 and mid-June:
 - calendar and postcard projects should be completed... out in the community. If they are celebratory in nature, all the better.
 - We should be looking for ways to insert stories into other events
 - new projects will be underway....
 - first story interviews will take place
 - youth storytelling will begin
 - story circles continue
 - Barbara will return mid-June, at which time we will begin:
 - Training on editing audio/visual stories,
 - advanced interviewing training,
 - continue to train youth - start to identify potential mentors and trainers, visual techniques workshop
 - partnering with other people in the community
 - Between mid-June and mid-July:
 - small story projects
 - advanced story circles (the harvest of information starts to happen.. we will need to know what we are doing with that... start to anticipate, what are the other heart and soul approaches we are going to bring in.... does demographic information get brought in?
 - outreach planning and youth week (July camp culminating in Tin Cup presentation)

Planning the other components and subcommittees

- We will meet to complete our community mapping on Thursday, April 16, 9am-11am at City Hall.
- The advisory committee is getting tired... need more help.
- We will create subcommittees to lead up different aspects of the project. They will be:
 - Youth
 - Storytelling
 - “Big Picture”
 - Outreach
 - Action Projects

- Every advisory committee member will commit to recruiting 5 people to serve on a subcommittee.
- Dahvi will send out descriptions of each subcommittee for the recruitment effort
- Advisory committee will continue to meet about once per month, and some members will try to serve on subcommittees.