

Planning Wisdom

- Begin with your vision of the future and plan backward to the present.
- Emphasize flexibility and re-looking at problems vs. quick fix or one-shot solutions. The plan will change but your ability to respond to changing conditions will endure.
- Adopt a systems approach to problem solving. Look at the whole system, not just your piece of the problem in developing solutions.
- Don't do it alone! Utilize the planning process to forge better relationships with your partners, key stakeholders, and community networks.
- Push decision-making power to the lowest appropriate level. Free yourself to manage the connections.
- Create ongoing vehicles to keep your planning efforts alive. How will you make adjustments?

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