

**Assets And Deficit-Based  
Neighborhood Maps**

(Peterson, 2001)

**Directions:** Think about your community and conduct an informal deficit and assets map. What does this tell you? What reactions do you have?

<b>Deficits Map</b>
Crime, Graffiti, Mental Disability, Child Abuse, Broken Families, Slum Housing, Welfare Recipients, Gangs, Unemployment, Truancy, Illiteracy, Lead Poisoning, Dropouts.

<b>Assets Map</b>			
<b>Gifts of Individuals</b> Artists, Elderly, 'Labeled people', Youth	<b>Citizen's Associations</b> Churches, Block Clubs. Cultural Groups. Interest Groups	<b>Institutions</b> Schools, Libraries, Parks, Hospitals, Community Colleges	<b>Businesses</b> Locally owned, Corporate