Community Developers Playlist

Top Hits (short, easily digestible –like an amuse de bouche of Community Development)

	Link to resource	Short Summary Description	Time	Type
Tips for Working with Neighbourhoods	Tips For Working With Neighborhoods	This table shows how we normally work with organizations vs. how we work differently with residents and neighbourhoods.	2 minutes	Table
Realizing the Potential of Citizen Leadership	Realizing the Potential of Citizen Leadership	Sylvia Cheuy calls for a deliberate and intentional effort to re-learn the skills to effectively build community. She provides a number of examples of communities doing just this to address the complex issues and opportunities of our times.	5 minutes	Article
Sustainable Community Development: From What's Wrong, to What's Strong	Discovering Gifts	Cormac Russell argues we need to help people discover what gifts they have and use those gifts to enrich those around them.	18 minutes	TedTalk
How do we Solve Structural Racism a 5x5 review	How do we solve Structural Racism	Over the past 30 years, various inquiries and commissions have all articulated the violence that Indigenous peoples continue to face as a result of ongoing colonialism in Canada. More than 1,000 recommendations have emerged from these initiatives, identifying issues related to structural racism and inequality and providine hundreds of solutions, In this booklet, the Yellowhead Institute highlights a select number of these solutions, framed in five themes: (1)Representation in Society; (2)Public Education and Awareness; (3) Institutional Change; (4) Addressing Policing and the Justice System; and (5)Indigenous Self-Determination.	10 minutes	Booklet
Community Engagement: Is it just lip service?	Engagement-Is it just lip service?	A quick article based on successful community engagement strategies. The article shares a few things to keep in mind when engaging with the community.	5 minutes	Article

Essentials (an appetizer that provides a grounding for theory)

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Building Collaborative Readiness: Mapping Community Resources	Building Collaborative Readiness Mapping Resources	This article helps readers learn how to uncover a neighbourhood's strengths, which is the foundation for building collaborative and shared efforts.	2 minutes	Article

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Principles and Practices of Asset-Based Community Development	Principles and Practices of Asset-Based Community Development	In this webinar, Howard Lawrence, John McKnight and Cormac Russell, explore the significance of the ABCD four elements - Resources, Methods, Functions, and Evaluation - in an effort to determine what is distinctive about Asset-Based Community Development.	20 minutes	Webinar
ABCD at a Glance	ABCD at a Glance	This 4 page article gives you a high level understanding of asset based development, along with 4 critical elements and eight touchstones of its theory of practice.	10 minutes	Article
Start Where the People Are	Start Where the People Are	This article discusses the importance of starting where the people are when trying to build community. Real-life examples are provided.	5 minutes	Article
Building Individual Capacity to Lead	Building Individual Capacity to Lead	This article outlines the importance of helping build individual capacity through community development work. Make sure to download the leadership development framework guide at the bottom of the page.	30 minutes	Guide
Community Leadership in Changing Times	Community Leadership in Changing Times	New and different community leadership requires new and different competencies. What exactly are those competencies and the skills, knowledge and attitudes that will be required? This free 30 minute "teach me but make it quick" webinar will get you started.	30 minutes	Webinar
Albums (a main course of full resources, videos and tools)				
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Four Essential Elements of an Asset-Based Community Development Approach	Four Essential Elements of an Asset-Based Community Development Approach	This article outlines four essential elements of asset-based community development to enhance citizen collective visioning and production.	20 minutes	Paper
A Basic Guide to ABCD Community Organizing	A Basic Guide to ABCD Community Organizing	This guide, filled with practical resources, includes: how to identify and celebrate community culture, possibilities and power of individual and collective gifts, the power of associations, the vital role of connectors, and identifies key questions for community builders.	30-45 minutes	Guide
Asset-Based Community Development: How To Get Started	https://www.tamarackcommunity.ca/latest/asset-based-community-development-a-residents-guide	This practical handbook is a guide on how you and your neighbourhoods can build community together.	30-45 minutes	Handbook

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Asset Mapping: Finding the Strength in Your Neighbourhood	Asset-Based Community Development: How To Get Started	In this webinar, Jonathan Massimi introduces the Asset-Based Community Development approach and also the Asset-Based Community Driven Efforts approach (ABCDE). He also discusses how we can create an Asset Map and explores how we can leverage the identified assets in our community for the common good.	1 hour	Webinar
Community Engagement Toolkit	Community Engagement Toolkit	This toolkit provides the five steps of effective community engagement planning, along with different engagement methods and examples of engagement in action.	45 minutes	Toolkit

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Community Building Facilitative Tools	Community Building Facilitative Tools	A 10 Step Planning Approach for Community Leaders to create and implement a plan. This tool includes facilitative techniques and tools.	30 minutes	Website with Tools
A Guide to Identifying and Sharing a Neighbourhoods Educational Assets with Young People	A Guide to Identifying and Sharing a Neighbourhoods Educational Assets with Young People	How do we extend the education beyond the walls of the school and utilize the gifts and assets of neighbours, organizations and institutions in the community? A recent article written by Julie Filapek and John McKnight helps to identify neighbourhood educational assets and how to connect with them with young people. This article has tools and recommendations to help groups to learn more about the skills, knowledge and experiences that the community has and how to connect them to young people.	20 minutes	Guide
Evaluating Your Asset Based Community Development Process	Evaluating Your Asset Based Community Development Process	In this webinar, John McKnight and Howard Lawrence shared insights about how we can evaluate community development work when traditional evaluation is focused so heavily on numbers and counting.	1 hour	Webinar
Building Social Capital through Community Development	Building Social Capital through Community Development	What do you do once you have mapped out the assets in your community? How can you engage residents to share their gifts and talents? This webinar discusses the Life.School.House, as a new model of community development, told through stories. It shares tips on how you can use this model too.	1 hour	Webinar
Collective Impact through the Lens of ABCD and RBC	Collective Impact through the Lens of ABCD and RBC	It's likely that you already know the value of bringing residents and leaders together tof co-create a common agenda, and you're likely looking at how to enhance coordination between services. In this webinar, Dan Duncan, a faculty member of the ABCD Institute, suggests that it's not a matter of just doing better coordination of services, but that collective impact requires a "sea change" in the way we think and develop community-led strategies that focus on real change in the lives of the communities we serve.	1 hour	Webinar

Opportunities for a Fresh Start on Race	Opportunities for a Fresh Start on Race	Trabian Shavers offers perspective and perception tools we can all use to update our narratives on race, communities and the future. He demonstrates that we often focus on negative, rather than emphasizing strengths and he shows a technique called "asset-framing", which can help us tell positive stories about people and encourage understanding, empathy and optimism that are necessary for meaningful social change.	50 minutes	Podcast
The Art of Collaborative Leadership	The Art of Collaborative Leadership	Good leadership requires moving across boundaries of sector, race, ideology, class and politics and developing healthy networks of trust and collaboration. Akaya Windwood discusses how we can get movements and sectors working together to advance the common good.	1 hour	Podcast
Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion Toolkits	Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion Toolkits	The Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion link inlcudes a variety of toolkits available to help support organizations get started in the work of understanding diversity, power, privilege, bias, discrimination, and work towards taking action to become an ally.	1 hour plus	Toolkit