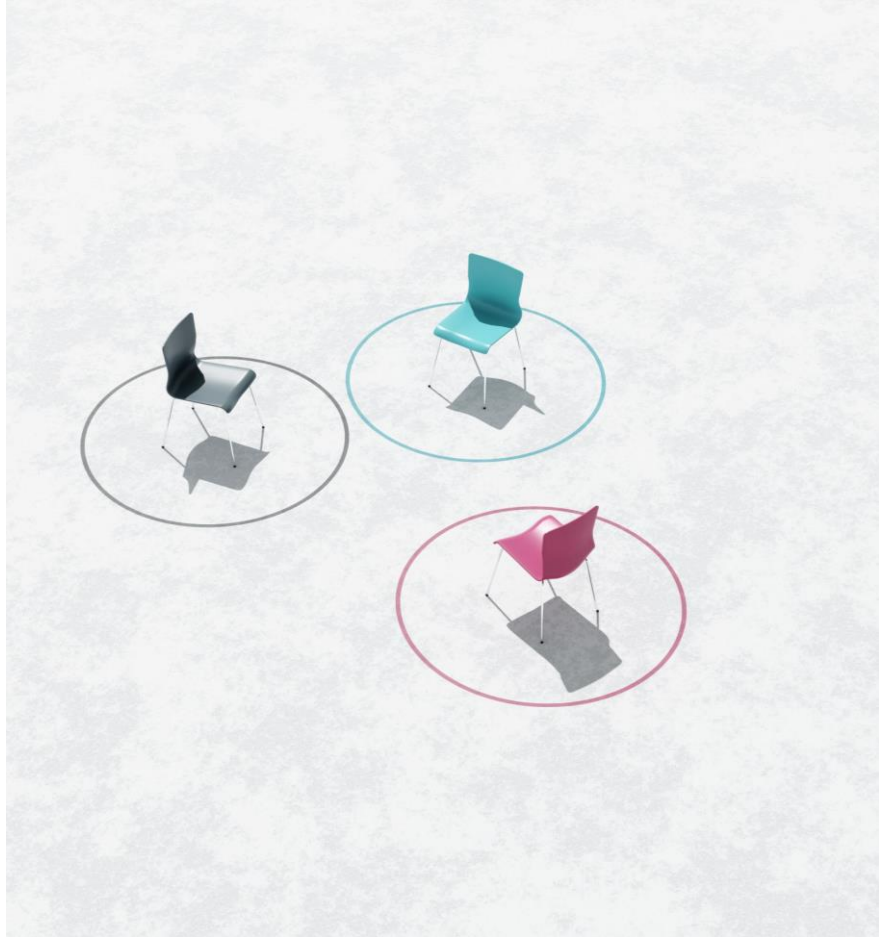


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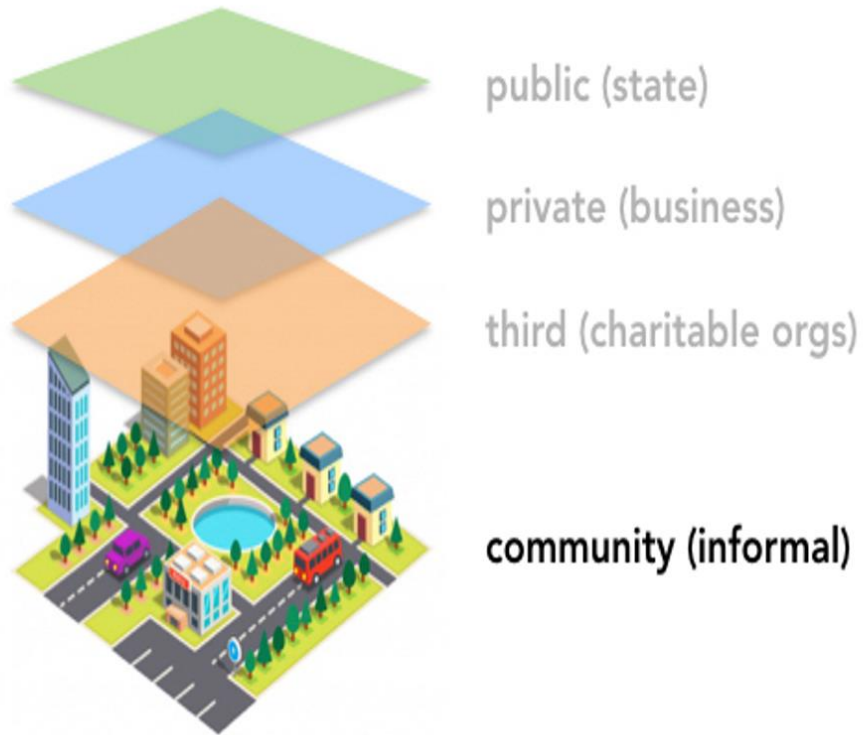


Three R's

1. *Re-centering*
2. *Re-connecting*
3. *Re-organizing*



Re-centering

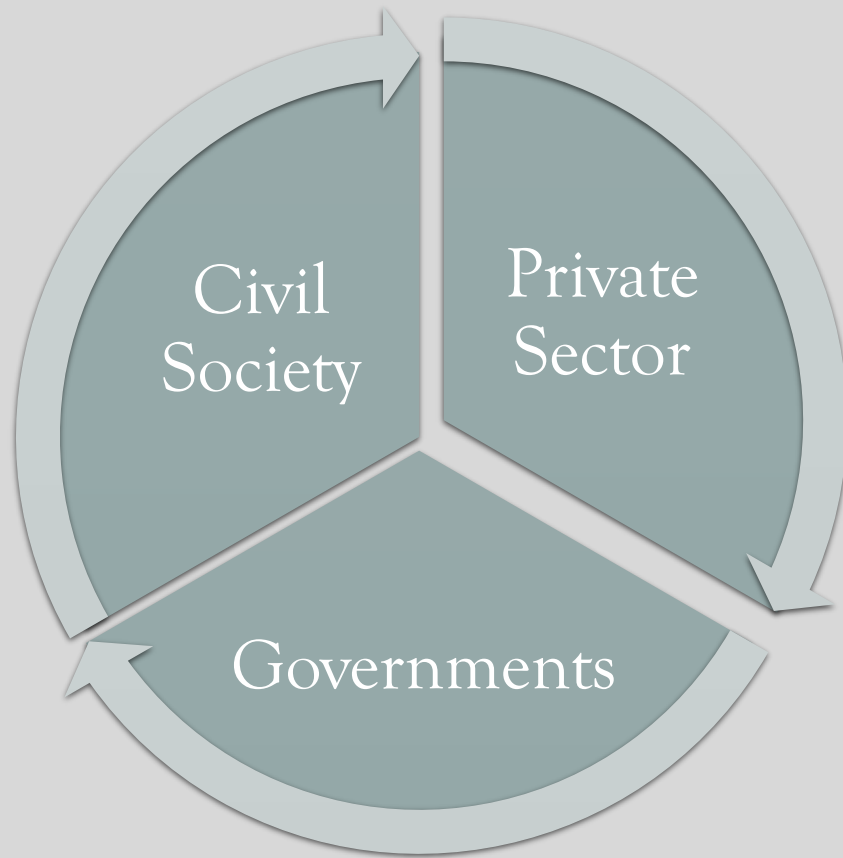


Layers of Society:

Which do we place at the center?

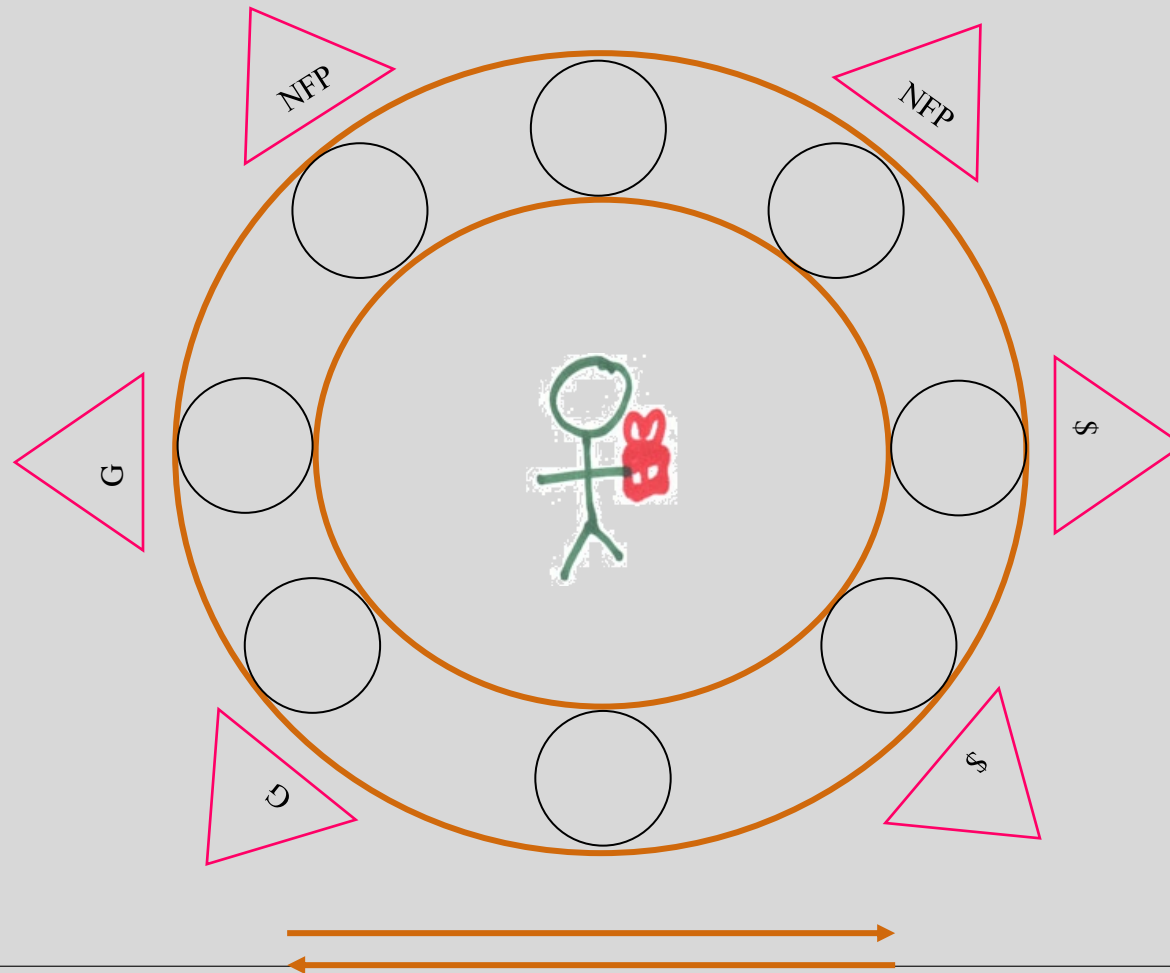
- Public
- Private
- Third/Civil Society
- Community


Current Reality



**Citizens wait
for external
institutions
to find a
solution**

Putting Community at the Centre





Re-connecting

***Re-connecting:** is the process by which we create individual and collective relationships at the centre of a society.*





ASSOCIATIONAL LIFE

What Local Associations Do?

- They reach a large number of people.
- They shape members' attitudes and behaviours.
- They mobilise member to act on many different issues.



RE-ORGANIZING

Working from Inside Out


“How do communities go about making their local assets productive in a communal sense?”

1. Starting with what residents can do themselves as an association of citizens, without any outside help.
2. Then looking at what they can do with a little outside help.
3. Finally, once these local assets have been fully connected and mobilized, citizens decide collectively on what they want outside agents to do for them. The order is critical!



Community Organizing/Building (2)

1. Discovering
2. Convening
3. Mapping/Portraying
4. Sharing
5. Celebrating
6. Visioning
7. Building an Association of Associations



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