

SHAPING THE PATH INSTRUCTIONS

After discussing the Guiding Questions for Community Change document, the Community Implementation Team is ready to use the Shaping the Path (Path) template to capture key challenges and bright spots, as well as outline action steps to move toward the vision. This is a quick activity allowing the Team to develop an outline. By design, the Path captures a small number of details. If needed, the concepts identified on the Path can be formalized into a more detailed plan, but some communities may find the Path provides sufficient structure to get started.

Challenge

Record the challenge the Team is committed to addressing. The template is designed to capture only one challenge per Path. Communities who wish to address multiple challenges can develop more than one Path.

Bright Spots

What is working well related to the challenge? Record one or two examples. What lessons can be learned from the Bright Spot? What can be replicated? Find inspiration in this example of success.

Action

Brainstorm and capture steps to move toward the vision. Moving from left to right, insert sequential steps in the boxes.

Vision

Consider: What would it look like if the challenge were overcome or the situation improved? Use your response to this question to develop a vision.