Please consider the following principles of good community development practice. What adjustments and/or additions would you make to these principles to make them congruent with your work?

- Promote active and representative participation toward enabling all community members to meaningfully influence the decisions that affect their lives.

- Engage community members in learning about and understanding community issues, and the economic, social, environmental, political, psychological, and other impacts associated with alternative courses of action.

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1 Developed by the Community Development Society (http://comm-dev.org/new/)
• Incorporate the diverse interests and cultures of the community in the community development process; and disengage from support of any effort that is likely to adversely affect the disadvantaged members of a community.

• Work actively to enhance the leadership capacity of community members, leaders, and groups within the community.

• Be open to using the full range of action strategies to work toward the long term sustainability and well being of the community.