



## Creating Vibrant Communities

Arizona Town Hall has spent decades exploring the depths of focused topics—environment, education, transportation, health care, and more—within the broader context of helping the state thrive and prosper. In 2020, our focus intentionally “zooms out” to a new level where all of these components interact in “Creating Vibrant Communities.” Every facet of what enables people and communities to be healthy, resilient, productive, and happy is on the table. Specifically, the 2020 Arizona Town Hall is concentrating on how sectors can collaborate for a much greater combined positive effect.

By “leveling up” in this way, we can collectively identify and activate Arizona’s game changers.

### What is a Vibrant Community?

A vibrant community is—at its core—a healthy and supportive environment for all. It is a community that inclusively taps human, constructed, and natural capital to thrive and grow together.

### What are the Elements of a Healthy Community?

There are 14 elements of a healthy community\* that must be present when creating vibrant communities. These elements are deeply rooted in the premise that addressing the overall health of a community requires an understanding of more than just its physical wellbeing.

- Access to Care
- Affordable Quality Housing
- Community Safety
- Economic Opportunity
- Educational Opportunity
- Environmental Quality
- Quality Affordable Food
- Community Design
- Parks and Recreation
- Social/Cultural Cohesion
- Social Justice
- Transportation Options
- Healthy Equity
- Resiliency

When all these elements are intentionally cultivated, coordinated, and mutually aligned, communities thrive and prosper.

### Arizona Town Hall’s 2020 Agenda

Throughout 2020, we will be facilitating Community Town Halls to explore the above elements, identify priorities and unlock the potential for cross-element collaboration that helps Arizona communities “level up” their capacity for vibrancy. Each Community Town Hall’s recommendations will feed into and build toward the November 2020 statewide Town Hall convening and final recommendations report.

\* *The elements are informed by the work of the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Elements of a Healthy Community wheel was designed and produced by Vitalyst Health Foundation in collaboration with community partners.*



### Join Our Efforts

1. Partner with Arizona Town Hall to support a Community Town Hall in your area.
2. Support a Future Leaders Town Hall. Arizona Town Hall will provide materials and resources.
3. Share educational resources provided by Arizona Town Hall and its partners through traditional and social media.
4. Schedule a program on this topic for a community or governmental organization.
5. Attend a local program or attend the statewide Town Hall, scheduled for November 2020.

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