

Vital Conditions for Health and Well-Being



Belonging & Civic Muscle is at the center because it is both a vital condition and a practical capacity that is necessary for equitable success in every other kind of work.

THRIVING NATURAL WORLD

BASIC NEEDS FOR HEALTH + SAFETY

HUMANE HOUSING

MEANINGFUL WORK + WEALTH

LIFELONG LEARNING

RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION

BELONGING + CIVIC MUSCLE

Sustainable resources, contact with nature, freedom from hazards
Clean air, water, soil; healthy ecosystems able to sustainably provide necessary resources; accessible natural spaces; freedom from the extreme heat, flooding, wind, radiation, earthquakes, pathogens

Basic requirements for health and safety
Nutritious food, safe drinking water; fresh air; sufficient sleep; routine physical activity; safe, satisfying sexuality and reproduction; freedom from trauma, violence, addiction and crime; routine care for physical and behavioral health

Humane, consistent housing
Adequate space per person; safe structures; affordable costs; diverse neighborhoods (without gentrification, segregation, concentrated poverty); close to work, school, food, recreation, and nature

Rewarding work, careers, and standards of living
Job training/retraining; good-paying and fulfilling jobs; family and community wealth; savings and limited debt

Continuous learning, education, and literacy
Continuous development of cognitive, social, emotional abilities; early childhood experiences; elementary, high school, and higher education; career and adult education

Reliable, safe, and accessible transportation
Close to work, school, food, leisure; safe transport; active transport; efficient energy use; few environmental hazards

Sense of belonging and power to shape a common world
Social support; civic association; freedom from stigma, discrimination, oppression; support for civil rights, human rights; civic agency; collective efficacy; vibrant arts, culture, and spiritual life; equitable access to information; many opportunities for civic engagement (voting, volunteering, public work)