

# Applied TimeBanking Visioning Game

**Materials needed: Flip chart or big paper, markers**

**Everything should be written on the paper as you go. It'll get messy.**

1. Ask everyone to say a top goal they have for their community.
  2. Take the top 3 – write them on the chart - and cobble them together into a 'mission statement.'
  3. Ask who would need to be involved in order to reach that mission.
  4. Ask who they forgot. Some prompts may be needed – who do you know, who might have under-utilized or recognized time or skills. Participants often start with organization and businesses instead of individuals and you need to help steer them toward including everyone.
  5. Now start a brainstorm about where to start turning this into a project or circuit that can meet the stated goals. What do you need first? Land, coordination,humans? How do you engage that first party and what would they spend their timebank hours on?

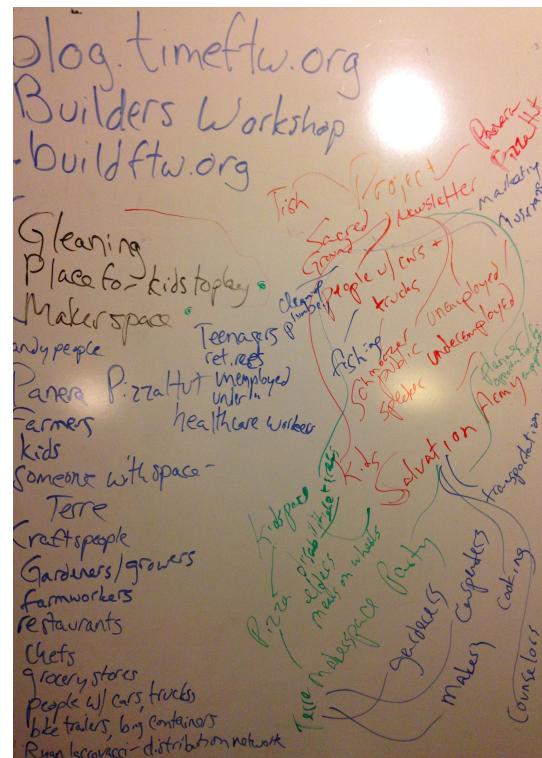
You'll most likely go back and forth between exchanges that have nothing to do with the mission and ones directly related. That's good! It helps show that all talents and resources support our missions for community health. If it stays away from the mission too long, steer it back.

6. Go until you start seeing a few of the results you aimed for in your missions statement.

This is a picture of one of the smaller exercises we've done.

And you can see it in action [here](#), when we led a workshop at the US Social Forum in Detroit in 2010. The game starts 2 hours in.

And here, in this [LA TimeBank training](#), where the game starts at 30:25.



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