

A community center at 35th and Hamilton announced in early 2019 that they were shutting down. This center provided services to the West Philly community such as after-school programs, adult education programs, and more. Drexel plans to buy the building and they are not sure what they are going to do with it. You will be separated into different community groups to discuss how your community would approach this situation.

COMMUNITY SIMULATION ACTIVITY

1. West Philly Residents
2. Drexel Administrators
3. Real Estate Developers
4. Drexel Students

COMMUNITY GROUPS

1. What is your community's relationship to this situation? What is at stake for you? (If you're not sure, what information would you need to answer this question?)
2. Will it be easy or difficult to get what you want? What tools are at your disposal to get what you want?
3. What identities and positionalities of people in your community might affect how they view this situation?
4. Choose another community represented here to approach about this situation - who would it be and what would you say?

DISCUSS THESE QUESTIONS