

MAPPING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD



How does the design of your neighborhood impact you? Draw a map of your neighborhood that shows the places and things that are most important to you.

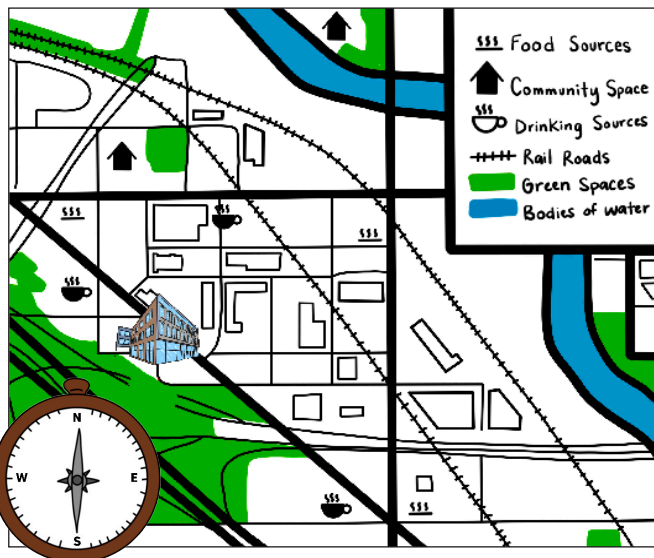
Before you begin your map drawing, consider what makes a neighborhood and community functional, safe, and healthy.

Create a list of all the places and things in your neighborhood that provide you:

- Comfort
- Entertainment
- Exercise
- Food / Nourishment
- Information
- Safety

Now it is time to bring your ideas together. Use the template to design a map (with legend and compass) of your neighborhood.

Start by drawing your home. Then add streets and other elements of the landscape, such as bodies of water, open spaces, and parks. Finally add the places and things that are most important to you.



Glossary

Cartography is the science or practice of drawing maps

Legend is a visual explanation of the symbols used on the map

Compass is a tool for finding direction

Community is a body of persons or nations having a common history or common social, economic, and political interests

Landscape is everything you can see when you look across an area of land, including hills, rivers, buildings, trees, and plants

Neighborhood is an area where people live and interact with one another

Nourish is to provide with the food or other substances necessary for growth, health, and good condition

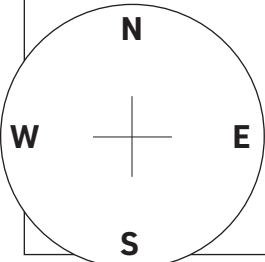
Open space is any open piece of land that is undeveloped (has no buildings or other built structures) and is accessible to the public

Functional is designed to be useful or practical

Healthy is beneficial to one's physical, mental, or emotional state

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