

The Power of Friends: Building and Maintaining Partnerships that Work

The four basic steps to enhance a team effort, collaboration, sharing, or partnerships.

The Formative Stage:

1. Basic Training, picking the team, sharpening the talents
2. Tools for partnership, organizational structure, training, etc.
3. Purpose, goals, methods, productivity, resources, standards
4. Characteristics: sharp, trustworthy, durable, etc.
5. Qualified, committed, tested, mentored, guided

The "Training Wheel" Stage: Testing Capability/Capacity

1. Identify project, establish agreement, plan
2. Execute with time, talent, treasure
3. Completion on time, on budget
4. Celebrate success

The Evaluation Stage

1. Establish ways to evaluate
2. Evaluate success or failure
3. Construct lessons learned
4. Using evaluation as a way to improve

Graduating from Formative to Advanced

1. Feasibility study
2. Visioning
3. Strategic planning
4. Leadership within collaboration
5. Gathering resources, talent, tools, treasure
6. Needs assessment
7. Communication
8. Fearless action
9. Evaluation
10. Expanding capacity