

Community Development Worker Core Units

CDW C01 Conduct community awareness	CDW C02 Monitor community activity	CDW C03 Facilitate the start-up of a community activity	CDW C04 Facilitate agreements for a community activity	CDW C05 Assist group to develop a project plan for a community activity	CDW C06 Conduct community training	CDW C07 Assist group to analyse their development situation and identify priorities	CDW C08 Evaluate community activity outcomes	CDW C09 Provide mentoring	CDW C10 Facilitate a specialist's visit
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CDW C07

Assist group to analyse their development situation and identify priorities

This unit describes the job tasks required to help a group to analyse their development situation, identify their strengths and needs, and identify their development priorities. This is normally done as the first step of a participatory change cycle – for example to identify the objective for the project at the start of a participatory project cycle, or to identify priorities for action (strategic planning) at the start of a participatory organisation cycle.

Elements	Performance criteria
1. Make preparations	1.1 Find out information about the place and people to be visited 1.2 Communicate effectively and respectfully with key people from the place to be visited 1.3 Prepare a suitable work plan 1.4 Put together suitable materials for the activities 1.5 Follow workplace health and safety practices and other workplace policies while preparing for a visit
2. Conduct community entry	2.1 Confirm who the key people are and work with them to make arrangements for the visit 2.2 Discuss roles, expectations, and the purpose of the visit with key people 2.3 Discuss with the key people why and how to support and encourage participation and inclusion during the activities 2.4 Communicate effectively and respectfully with key people 2.5 Show respect for local culture and be sensitive to gender roles 2.6 Reassess whether the work plan and materials for the activities are going to be suitable and make necessary changes 2.7 Follow workplace health and safety practices and other workplace policies while conducting field activities
3. Assist group to analyse their development situation and identify priorities	3.1 Support and encourage effective participation and inclusion during the activities 3.2 Encourage key people to take the lead during the activities 3.3 Communicate effectively and respectfully during the activities 3.4 Work in a way that is appropriate to local culture during the activities 3.5 Explain the purpose of this step in a change cycle and why it is important that everyone in the group participates 3.6 Work with the group to analyse their development situation and identify their strengths and needs 3.7 Work with the group to identify their development priorities 3.8 Discuss what the group or community can do to address their priorities 3.9 Confirm what the next steps following the visit will be and who will be responsible for making them happen 3.10 Discuss how or if the visit has been useful, and ways it could be improved. 3.11 Thank the group, without rushing, and explain again the purpose of the visit
4. Prepare a report	4.1 Maintain a record of activities and movements according to workplace practices 4.2 Report what was done during the visit, including relevant measurable information, comments, stories, and observations 4.3 Report outcomes clearly 4.4 Provide an analysis of outcomes 4.5 Provide recommendations for future action based on analysis