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## The Impact Map.

A template for developing meaningful visions.

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# **Developing a Strong Vision.**

Step-by-step.

## **DESCRIPTION** THE IMPACT MAP.

#### What is the Impact Map?

The Impact Map is a strategic planning tool designed to align actions with broader goals and impacts. It helps teams or individuals think systematically about why they act, what they will do, and how their efforts contribute to meaningful change - in just 6 simple steps:

#### Why is it valuable?

This exercise fosters clarity, purpose, and alignment by connecting daily actions to long-term impacts. It encourages collaboration, structured thinking, and consideration of both immediate and systemic effects.

#### The Six Steps of the Impact Map:

#### 1) Why do we need to act?

Start by identifying the trends, opportunities, problems, or challenges driving the need for action. Focus on the current context.

#### 2) What will we do?

Define the specific actions or interventions you plan to take to address the issues or opportunities identified.

#### 3) How will we do it?

Determine the processes, methods, or resources required to implement these actions effectively.

#### <u>4) Outcome</u>

Describe the immediate, tangible results you aim to achieve.

#### 5) Ripple Effect

Think beyond the immediate results and consider the longer-term, broader impacts of your actions.

#### 6) Broad Goal / Big Impact

Link your efforts to a higher purpose or overarching vision to ensure alignment with meaningful goals.

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WHY do we need to act?	WHAT will we do?	HOW will we do it?	Outcome	Ripple Effect	Broad Goal / Big Impact
(Current Trends / Opportunities Problems / Challenges)	(If we)	(By)	(This will result in)	(And eventually)	(We act to contribute to this)
	We have control over this			We have influence on this	