

Equitable Funding Hackathon: Charting a Path Forward for Place-Based Resilience



Please introduce yourselves to the person next to you!

Agenda

Our Purpose: Our Think Tank session will dive into the challenges, explore tangible models, and chart a path forward to redirect both private and public funds for community resilience projects and organizations - focusing on small-scale place-based programs that could add up to big results.

- **Panelists**
- **Hack-athon**
- **Reflection**



Speakers



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What is a Hack-Athon

A hackathon focuses on an abbreviated rapid iteration of the first two phases of the design thinking model, a solution-focused approach to problem-solving, in which team members share their understanding of the **problem, ideation** (*brainstorming and idea generation*) and then **prototyping a solution.**



Hack-Athon Objective

You have been tasked with designing a million-dollar intermediary fund for a region that pools funds from both private and public sources. The funds will be redistributed to support grassroots community resilience programs & organizations in frontline communities. You may consider including funds for emergency purposes (extreme weather events), projects that integrate social cohesion and community care; and place-based projects.

Design an outline for the fund that takes into account the barriers and solutions that the panelists have outlined (as well as any others not mentioned).

Hack-athon Instructions

Groups of 4-6 individuals representing diverse sectors and perspectives (look for different stickers!)

1. Quick Introductions
2. Talk through the questions. Write down 8-10 ideas first, then choose the top idea(s) for each question. We encourage you to think creatively, outside of the box, with a few of your ideas being those “pie in the sky” ideas.
3. Don’t worry too much about the details, if aspects wouldn’t work in reality, note potential barriers on the “bike rack.”
4. Lastly, we encourage the following agreements to ensure a collaborative and rapid process:
 - a. Make decisions quickly (we suggest “consensus minus one”).
 - b. Step up, step back
 - c. Everyone’s perspective matters

