



## An Associational Map

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*Associational life is rich in all of our communities. Learning about where the community networks are is useful information to have on hand. This is a guide to help you learn about the possible associations in your community. Use this list to think about the various organizations people belong to. You can identify groups in your area in a number of ways - talking to others, looking in the phone book, reading area and neighborhood newspapers, surveying churches and existing groups, checking with the Chamber of Commerce, etc. Make your own listing and use it as a resource as you think about connecting specific people.*

Associations (examples)	Your Area
<b>Artistic Organizations</b> choral, theatrical, writing	
<b>Business Organizations</b> Chamber of Commerce, business associations	
<b>Charitable Groups &amp; Drives</b> Red Cross, Cancer Society, United Way	
<b>Church Groups</b> service, prayer, men's, women's, youth, seniors	
<b>Civic Events</b> July 4th, art fair, festivals, Halloween	
<b>Collectors Groups</b> stamp collectors, flower dryers, antiques	
<b>Community Support Groups</b> Friends of the Library, nursing home, hospital	
<b>Elderly Groups</b> Senior Citizens	
<b>Ethnic Associations</b> Sons of Norway, Black Heritage Club, Hibernians	
<b>Health &amp; Fitness Groups</b> bicycling, jogging, exercise	
<b>Interest Clubs</b> poodle owners, antique car owners	

## A Guide to Developing Community Connections

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<b>Local Government</b> town, fire department, emergency units	
<b>Local Media</b> radio, newspaper, local access cable TV	
<b>Men's Groups</b> cultural, political, social, educational, vocational	
<b>Mutual Support (Self Help) Group</b> Alcoholics Anonymous, LaLeche League	
<b>Neighborhood &amp; Block Groups</b> crime watch, beautification, Christmas decorations	
<b>Outdoor Groups</b> garden clubs, conservation clubs	
<b>Political Organizations</b> Democrats, Republicans, caucuses	
<b>School Groups</b> printing club, PTA, child care	
<b>Service Clubs</b> Zonta, Kiwanis, Rotary, AAUW	
<b>Social Cause Groups</b> peace, rights, advocacy, service	
<b>Sports Leagues</b> bowling, swimming, baseball, fishing, volleyball	
<b>Study Groups</b> literary clubs, bible study groups	
<b>Veterans Groups</b> American Legion, Veterans of Foreign War	
<b>Women's Groups</b> cultural, political, social, educational, vocational	
<b>Youth Groups</b> 4H, Future Farmers, Scouts, YMCA	