

Trust and **connection**, especially between diverse groups, are variables that are invisible and difficult to measure--but they are still the roots of a functioning **democracy**.

Community spaces are the garden where diverse human connection can thrive.



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Face to face experiences in community spaces, such as those found in mother centers or family centers, offer an **alternative** to the isolative power of online **echo chambers** and **closed/homogenous communities**.



ECHO
CHAMBERS



COMMUNITY SPACES



HOMOGENOUS
COMMUNITIES

Municipalities should see **community spaces** as...



...an investment in
social cohesion



... an opportunity to connect
with community members as
experts in their own experience



... a space for regular practice
of democratic values

Municipalities can support **community spaces** by...



... viewing **civil society organizations** and **grassroots initiatives** not as subordinates or constituents, but as **partners** in the task of building a new infrastructure that **cares**.



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