

JEDER INSTITUTE'S

ABCD & PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY BUILDING 2024 ROUNDUP

Building the Capacity of Global Communities



Asset-based Community Development (ABCD) is a globally adopted approach that recognises and builds on the strengths, gifts, talents and resources of individuals and communities to create strong, inclusive and sustainable communities.

ASSET-BASED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY BUILDING

Participatory Community Building blends Asset Based Community-led Development (ABCD) and Art of Hosting (Participatory Leadership) to provide participatory; patterns, practices, processes, and principles to give you the tools to co-create projects and initiatives.

The Jeder Institute supports authentic social change through increased community engagement and participation. Our aim is to engage, inspire and activate your organisation &/or community to produce the following outcomes:

- Skills and tools to support a connected community
- Community members who are empowered by strengthened relationships
- A shift in organisational and community mindset to one of positive discovery

2024: A YEAR OF EXPANSION



*The Community Building (CoBu) Team Members:
Dee Brooks, Michelle Dunscombe, Fiona Miller, Steph
Bitter, Vic Tyler, Lee Griffiths, Kodei Page-Brooks,
Chontelle Janesse, Harley Ames and Luke Gilray*

Boards and Positions (int'l & domestic):

Dee Brooks

- Jeder Institute, Bored Member and Nest Lead
- Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) Institute, Board Member and International Liaison
- ABCD Asia Pacific Network, Board Member

Michelle Dunscombe

- Jeder Institute, Bored Member
- International Association for Community Development, Vice President and Oceania Director
- ABCD Asia Pacific Network, Board Member

Fiona Miller

- ABCD Asia Pacific Network, Board Member

Our Key Partners:

- ABCD Institute
- ABCD Asia Pacific Network
- International Association for Community Development (IACD)
- Core Gift Institute

Key Areas

- Queer Community Building
- Neighbourhood Houses
- Local Government
- Youth and Strategic Planning
- Measurement and Evaluation

Teams, Working Groups and Committees (international & domestic)

Jeder Institute participation & contribution:

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- Culture, Docs, Dollars, Creative, Well-being & Growth, Training, Risk Teams & Pods

- CoBu, Admin, Coaches, Nyeeangkarra

Additional

- Partner's Circle, Annual Gathering x 2, Art of Hosting x2

Countries & States Where We Worked:

Australia

- Queensland
- Victoria
- New South Wales
- South Australia
- Northern Territory
- Tasmania

International

- United Kingdom
- Canada
- Sweden
- USA
- South Africa
- New Zealand





FOR CHANGE

COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT

ABCD & PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY BUILDING

“Creating opportunities for people and communities to connect to their gifts and strengths”

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TRAINING & WORKSHOPS

- Participatory Community Building
- Asset Based Community Development (ABCD)
- Art of Hosting (Participatory Leadership & Flow Game)
- Results Based Accountability
- Graphic Harvesting

PROJECTS & PLANNING

- Organisational Strategic Planning
- Community Planning
- Community Conversations
- Conscious Co-Design
- Disaster Preparedness and Recovery
- Arts Based Planning
- Core Gift Discovery

OUR OUTCOMES FRAMEWORK



Key Statement 1

We want to live in communities where people feel connected, included, belonging, heard, valued and safe



Key Statement 2

We want to live in communities that are inclusive, accessible, diverse, self-determined, peaceful and creative



Key Statement 3

We want to live in communities where First Nations people are valued, invited, and celebrated, where human rights are at the centre of self determination, where everyone has an opportunity to participate and contribute equally and people look after each other's safety and well-being

BESPOKE PROGRAMS

- Community & Youth Leadership
- Person Centred Community Building
- Trauma Informed Community Development
- Deadly ABCD
- Queer Community Building
- Next Stage Organisation Governance

TEACHING & LEARNING

- Coaching and mentoring
- Student placement
- Guest lectures
- Online course development
- Storytelling and graphic harvesting
- Community of practice
- Strengths-focused evaluation
- Unconferences, gatherings, and events

OUR WAYS OF WORKING



- Walk our talk
- Value all voices
- Adapt and be flexible
- Focus on strengths and gifts
- Intentionally collaborate
- Share power authentically
- Nurture ourselves and others
- Allow time for relationships



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

JEDER'S H.O.P.E. FRAMEWORK & STRATEGIC FOCUS

H.O.P.E.

Helping Other Possibilities Emerge

Key Words: Inclusive, Diverse, Self-determined, Peaceful, Creative

Foundational Areas: Community, Relationships, Advocacy, ABCD, Participatory, Leadership

Team Values: Transparency, Connection, Open & Honest Communication, Simplicity, Practicality



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FOCUS 1 MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS

Outcome Statement:
Our marketing and promotions materials and resources are easily accessible, current, and engaging.

How do we know?
People know who we are, what we do and come to us for conversations.

FOCUS 2 PROCESS AND PRACTICE

Outcome Statement:
Our processes and practices are easy to understand and apply.

How do we know?
Our values show up while hosting ourselves and others.

FOCUS 3 GIFTS FOCUS

Outcome Statement:
We teach, learn, and give our gifts to understand and grow individually and collectively.

How do we know?
We know how to, and feel safe to, give our gifts.

FOCUS 4 PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Outcome Statement:
We encourage and support each other to develop new programs/projects.

How do we know?
People reach out to us for our innovation, flexibility, and adaptability.

MEASUREMENTS WE NOTICE

Community Awareness

Increased awareness and understanding of genuine participation, the power of community assets and strengths, to identifying and mobilising community assets and inclusive practices

Community Behaviour

Increase capacity and participation of community members to work in practical and proactive ways, practice and build the capacity of themselves and each other, asset map, include diverse voices, and co-create FOR CHANGE

Community Position

Community members are at the centre of decision making, lead with their strengths, have strong, active partnerships, participate and identify opportunities and share success stories

OUR STRENGTHS



Strengths

Strong Attributes
Resource Bank
Focused
We ARE Connectors

Opportunities

Strategic Action
Partners
Development
Activation

Aspirations

Innovators
Foundations
Reputation
Sustainability

Results

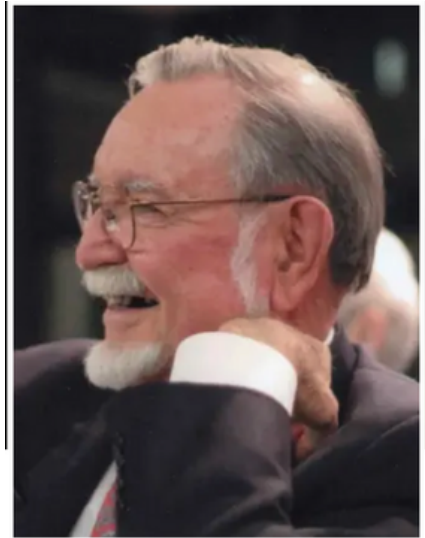
Recognition
Invited
Tangibles
We Have Abundance

Significant Events in 2024

IN MEMORIAM

**JOHN MCKNIGHT [1931 - 2024] TRAVELING
OHIOAN & ABCD INSTITUTE CO-FOUNDER**

On the 2nd of November, John McKnight, age 92, peacefully passed, in his sleep, at home, in Evanston, Chicago, USA, surrounded by his loved ones. John will be greatly missed, and our thoughts and love remain with John's loving wife Marsha and the extended families.



JOHN MCKNIGHT WITH CO-FOUNDER, JODY KRETZMANN

ABCD INSTITUTE ANNOUNCEMENT

After many decades of Dee Brooks continual work in connecting people around the world, Dee was formally appointed as the International Liaison for the ABCD Institute.

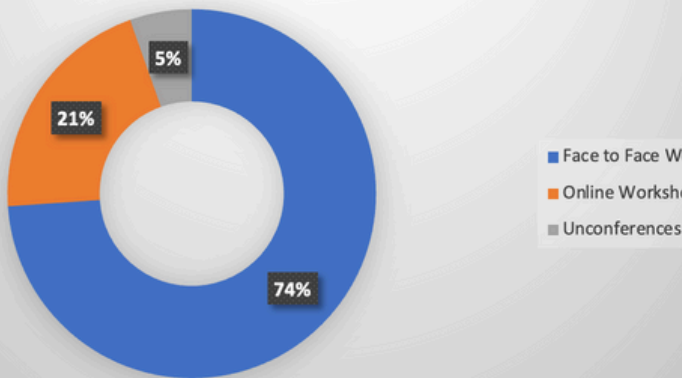
Dee's work on the ABCD Institute's Board will continue and she also joins the Executive Board in this new role and looks forward to working with many ABCD practitioners, movers and shakers around the world in 2025.

Please get in touch if you would like more information or connection from your country or region.

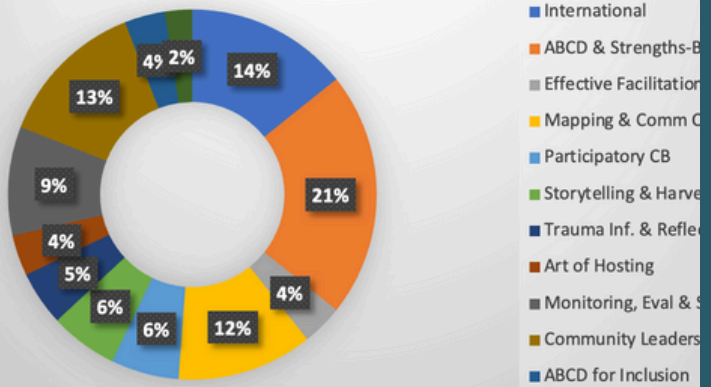


Stats & Graphs

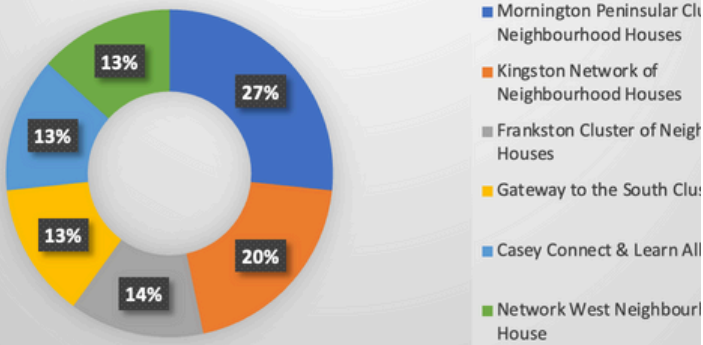
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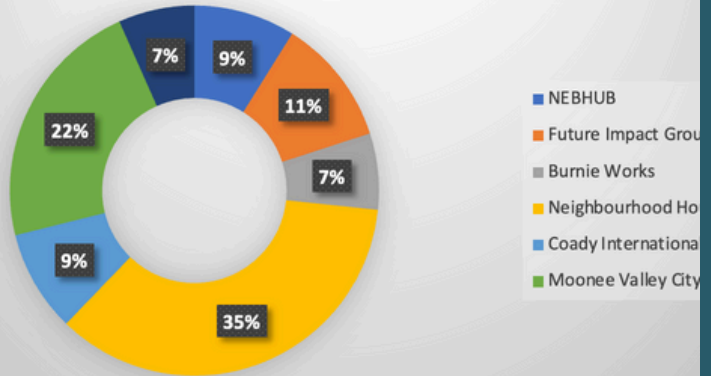
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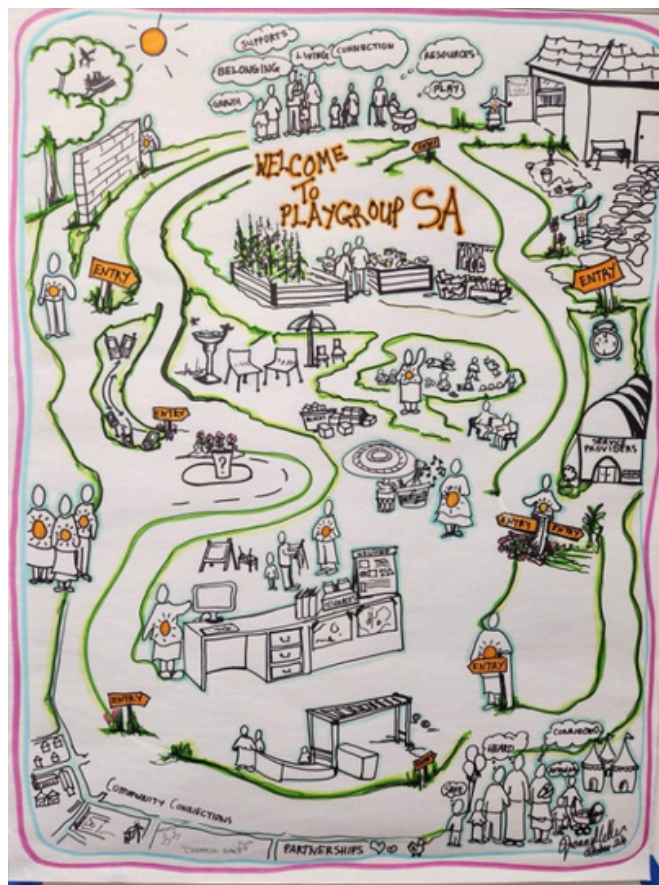
FOR CHANGE Neighbourhood House Programs



FOR CHANGE Annual Programs



Graphic Harvest by Fiona Miller



For Playgroup SA 2024

Delivered Trainings, Workshops & Unconferences 2024 (face to face & online)



ABCD & Participatory Community Building:

- ABCD Effective Facilitation, Bristol City Council
- Offers and Needs Market, Birmingham
- PCB Storytelling & Harvesting, Cloucester
- Art of PCB, Merthyr, Wales
- Anti-Conference, Leeds
- Derwent Valley Youth Strategy
- Trauma Informed Community Consultation
- Reflective Practice
- Intro to ABCD
- Mentoring Youth
- Measuring What Matters; Monitoring and Eval
- ABCD and Strategic Vision
- Storytelling & Harvesting
- Mapping your Community
- Strengths-Based Strategic Planning
- Youth Council Planning
- ABCD for Inclusion
- ABCD Connector Leaders
- Strengths-Based Approach to Trauma Informed
- ABCD & Effective Facilitation, RMIT
- Youth Planning Day
- Strategic Plan and Graphic Harvesting
- Youth Leadership
- Women's Indigenous Leadership Program, Canada
- Intro to PCB, Nova Scotia
- Graduate ABCD Certificate
- Champion Project
- Community Conversations
- Women's Leadership Program
- Queering Community Development with IACD
- Team Building Day (Seagulls to Chips)
- Community Leadership & You
- Queer Community Building
- Strengths-Based Approach to Art of Hosting
- Ideas to Action
- Local government Self Care for CD Workers

Conference & Forum Presentations:

- NH Vic Conference Keynote
- Community Development Australia
- DHS South Australia Forum
- International Women's Day

Conference and Unconference Planning and Hosting:

- Cos Mini-Gathering
- Leeds Anti-Conference
- NDIS Unconference

WHAT THEY SAY:

"Great presenters - very connected with the group."
Participatory Community Building Workshop Participant



2025 COBU ASPIRATIONS

- Launch Jeder's 2025 Training Calendar
- Confirm international workshop tour with partners
- Plan ABCD Australian Regional Tour
- Co-host the ABCD Symposium in Chicago, USA
- Core Gift Trainer the Trainer partnership with Befriend
- Review and update CoBu website presence
- Develop online micro-credential courses
- Co-create CD tools and resources
- Gather stories of practice
- Reignite community of practice
- Develop The Circle partner connections
- Deliver Queer Community Building Workshops

SOME OF OUR 2024 PARTNERS



With gratitude, appreciation & joy to some of our incredible partners, colleagues, friends and collaborators!

And... that's a wrap!
SEE YOU ALL IN 2025!
Yours in Community, The CoBu Team