

JEDER INSTITUTE'S ABCD & PARTICIPATORY COMMUNITY BUILDING 2023 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

2023: A YEAR FOR CHANGE!

*The Community Building (CoBu) Team Members:
Dee Brooks, Michelle Dunscombe, Fiona Miller,
Steph Bitter, Vic Tyler, Lee Griffiths and Kodei
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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 in Action Welcome Team
- ABCD Asia Pacific network, Board Member

Michelle Dunscombe

- Jeder Institute, Bored Member
- International Association for Community Development (IACD), Vice President and Oceania Director
- ABCD in Action Welcome Team
- ABCD Asia Pacific network, Board Member

Fiona Miller

- ABCD Asia Pacific network, Board Member
- Northern Early Years Group, Board Member
- GroWaverley Town Team, Board Member

Our Key Partners:

- ABCD Institute
- ABCD in Action
- ABCD Asia Pacific Network
- International Association for Community Development (IACD)
- Community Minds
- Core Gifts Institute

A Year of Convergence & Measurement

The Jeder Community Building Team spent over 2 years during the pandemic consolidating their work, efforts and impact and developed 2 key frameworks for the future.

The following 2 pages highlight both our:

- ABCD & Participatory Community Building Framework, including outcomes, offerings and ways of working and,
- Jeder's H.O.P.E. Framework & Strategic Focus, including measurements, focus areas and strengths

Our 2023 Work Covered the Following Key Areas

- Disaster Recovery
- Queer Community Building
- Trauma Informed Community Building
- Reigniting Engagement for Neighbourhood Houses
- Asset-based Approaches for Local Government
- Strength-based Approaches to Art of Hosting for Next Stage Organisations





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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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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 2023

A Tribute to Jody Kretzmann Co-Founder, ABCD Institute DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Website excerpt: “They say we should never meet our heroes and yet, we also know that there’s always an exception to the rule! Jody Kretzmann was an exemplary exception!”

On the 1st of January, Australian time, we received word that our friend, hero and mentor, Jody Kretzmann, age 78, had passed on from this world and we felt an immediate shadow cast across the community development landscape...”

“A memorial service celebrating Jody’s life was held at the Ebenezer Lutheran Church in Chicago on Saturday the 14th of January and was a remarkably powerful service where ABCD co-founder John McKnight spoke about how Jody will be remembered for his welcoming nature and “his commitment to equity and bringing everyone to the table.”



2023 World Community Development Conference "FROM the EDGE" Partnership with the International Association for Community Development (IACD)

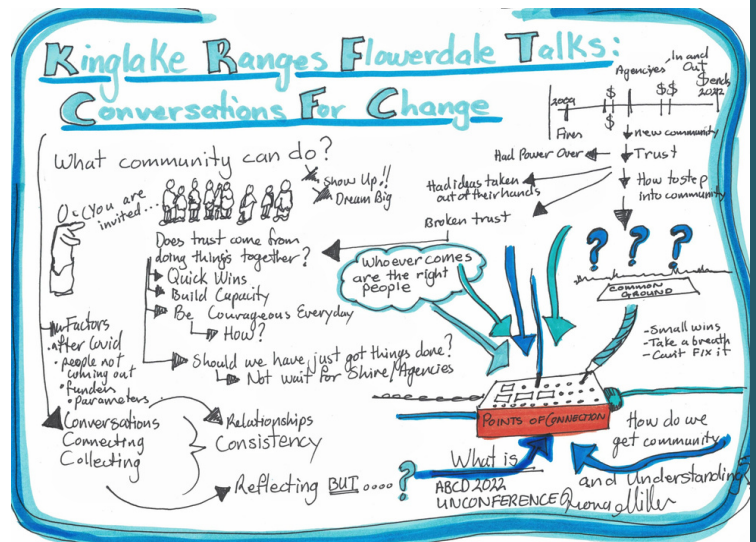
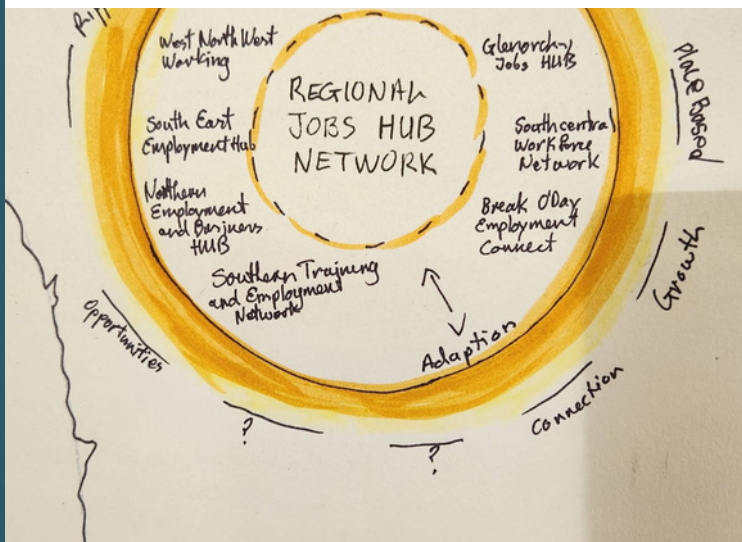
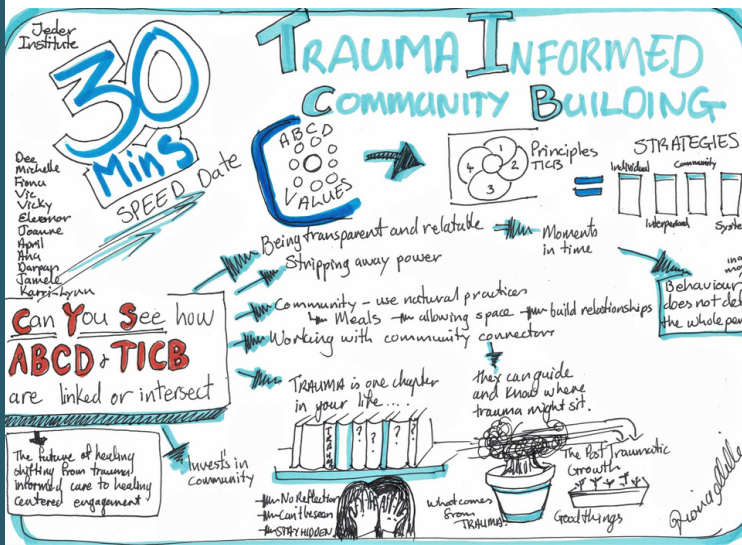
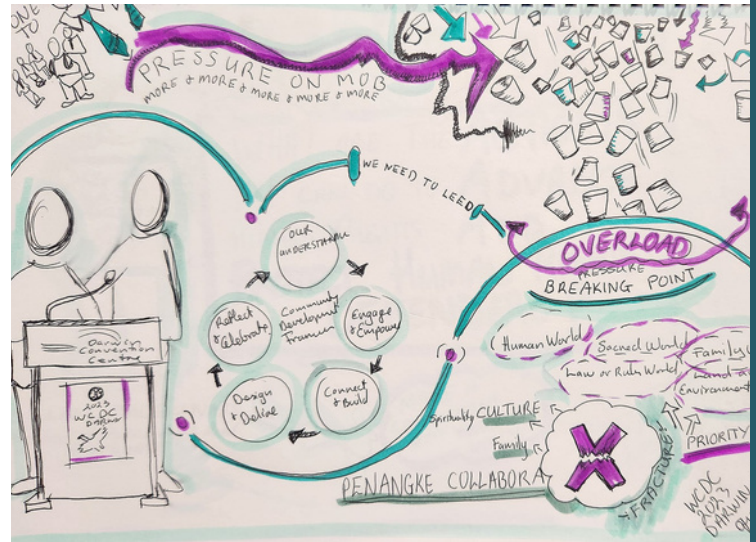
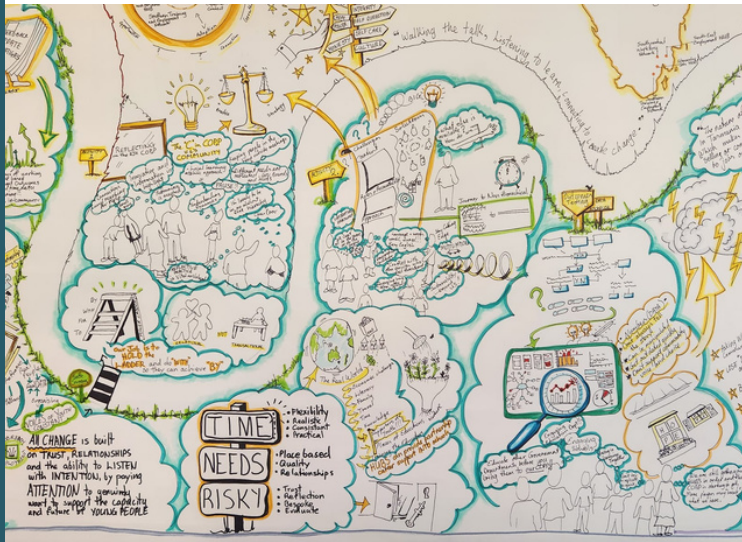
The 2023 World Community Development Conference Darwin “From the Edge” was successfully hosted by the International Association for Community Development, Jeder Institute, Australian Community Workers Association, Community First Development and Catalyse (New Zealand) in Australia’s Top End where the worlds oldest living culture meets Asia.



Jeder Member, Michelle Dunscombe, Mimal Land Management: a new partnership with Jeder

Change is the heartbeat of growth, and for Michelle Dunscombe, a valued member of the Jeder Institute Community Building Team, a new chapter is unfolding. Michelle is embarking on an exciting venture as she takes on the role of Project Manager with the Mimal Land Management Aboriginal Corporation in Darwin, located within the rich landscapes of Larrakia Country.

A Selection of Graphic Harvests by Fiona Miller



WHAT THEY SAY:

"I would 100% recommend this workshop (Trauma Informed Community Building) as a professional development opportunity for all those working within the health space, to assist them in achieving health equity, that is driven and led by the communities they work in. Participant, Local Government, Canada

Teams, Working Groups and Committees (international & domestic)

Jeder Institute participation and contributions:

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

Teams

- CoBu, Admin

Pods

- Coaches, Nyeeangkarra

Additional

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

ABCD participation and contributions:

- ABCD Unconference
- ABCD and the World
- ABCD Asia Pacific
- ABCD in Action Welcome Team
- ABCD and Rural Communities
- ABCDI Training Group
- ABCDI Communications Working Group
- ABCDI Board Retreat Sessions

Countries & States Where We Worked:

Australia

- Queensland
- Victoria
- New South Wales
- South Australia
- Northern Territory
- Australian Capital Territory
- United Kingdom (online)
- Canada (online)
- New Zealand (online)
- USA (face to face Arkansas)

WHAT THEY SAY:

"Very informative and well presented by very passionate advocates"

CPSN, Cultural Awareness Training participant



Delivered Trainings, Workshops, Podcasts & Unconferences 2022 (face to face & online)



ABCD & Participatory Community Building:

- Connect St Andrews Project
- DiVRS - Community Development Plan
- Bristol City Council - Online PCB training
- Shepparton Council - ABCD Workshop
- CPSN Capacity Building
- Meander Valley Council - Youth Project
- New Horizons Tasmania Leadership Program
- Infoxchange - Strategic Conversation
- Core Gift Institute - Train the Trainer
- Tin Shed St Albans - Strategic Plan
- Mosman Council - Participatory CB
- Ngroo Mt Druitt – ABCD & Mapping
- Shepparton Council – Mapping & Measuring
- VACSAL
- DSAV (Down Syndrome Association Vic)
- Glen Eira Council Multicultural Advisory Group
- Intro To Graphic Harvesting - online
- ABCD for C4C Launceston
- Beaconsfield - Participatory CB
- Burnieworks Youth Project
- Mosman Council - ABCD Training
- City of Sydney - ABCD Training
- Gladstone Council - Youth Capacity Building
- Marionlife, Adelaide - Participatory CB
- Seagulls to CHIPS - Youth Leadership
- City of Sydney - Youth Civic Participation
- ABCD Institute - 201 Training
- CDAT - Peer Mentoring
- Neighbourhood Centres Qld - Facilitation
- NEBHUB
- Community Centres, South Australia - ABCD
- Intereach x 4 - Regional ABCD
- Mosman Council - ABCD
- Moonee Valley Council - ABCD

Conference & Forum Presentations:

- Disaster & Emergency Management Conference - Gold Coast
- Community Leadership Summit with Hothouse Projects
- Swedish Gender and Equity Ministry
- Rural Women Speaking Out

Conference and Unconference Planning and Hosting:

- Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) Unconference 2023
- IACD's World Community Development Conference (WCDC) 2023 Darwin
- InterPride Global Conference (San Diego)
- BIS Mini-Gathering
- Cos Mini-Gathering

Media & Podcasts:

- ABC Radio National – community chat with Dee Brooks and Helen Rodd

WHAT THEY SAY:

“Great presenters - very connected with the group.”

*Participatory Community Building
Workshop Participant*



“Graphic harvesting” of the meeting executed in real time by Fiona Miller, Community Development and Graphic Harvesting Practitioner

2024 CoBu Aspirations:

- Launch Jeder's 2024 Training Calendar
- Confirm international workshop tour with partners
- Co-host the Annual ABCD Unconference
- Co-develop CoBu Peer Coaching Model for Next Stage Organisations
- Core Gift Trainer the Trainer launch for 2024
- Review and update CoBu website presence
- Develop online training platform
- Co-create CD tools and resources
- Develop The Circle partner connections
- Deliver Queer Community Building Workshops

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

