

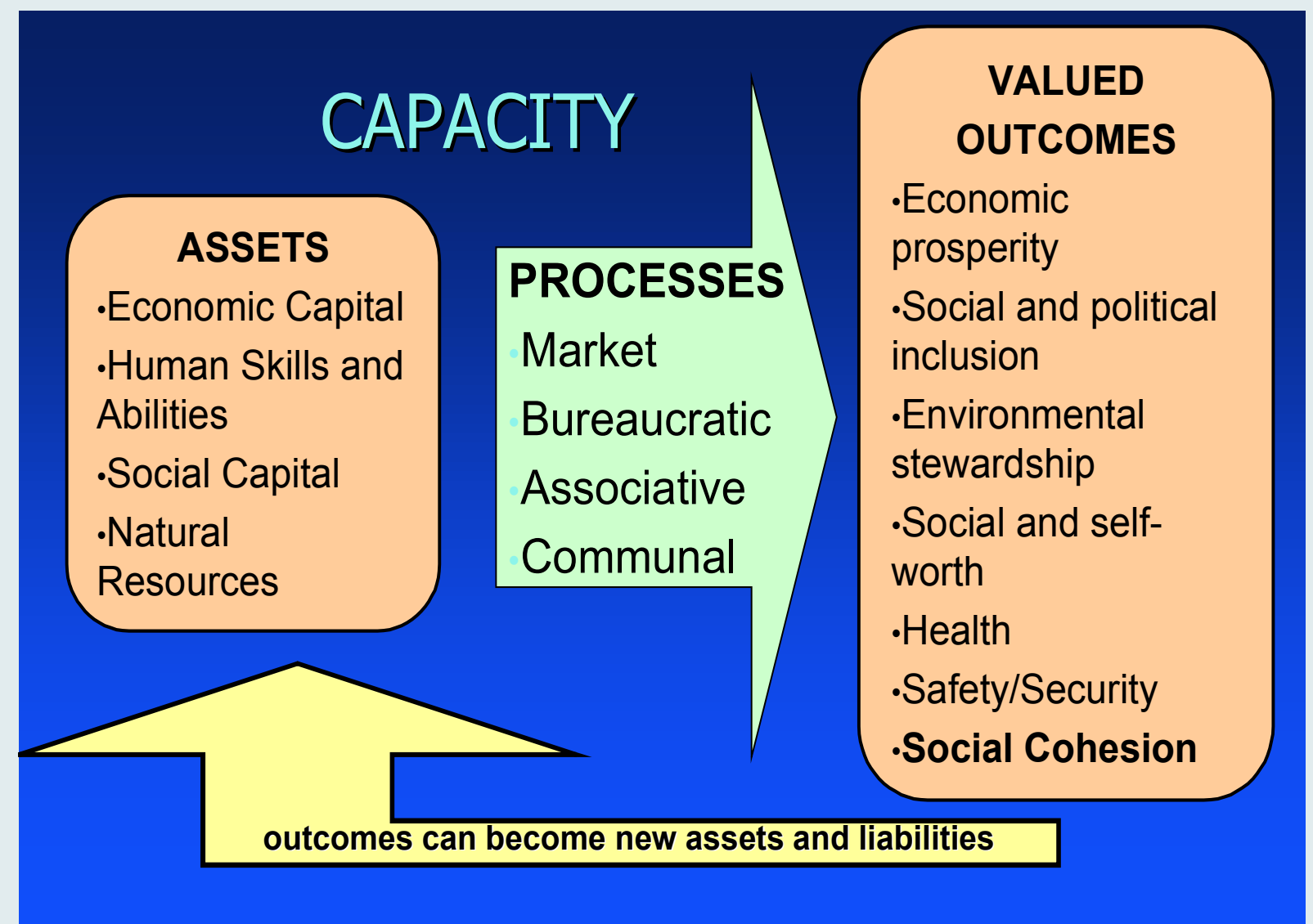
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Capacity Matters

(Re)vitalization occurs when capital and resources are (re)organized to produce desired outcomes. The ability of rural communities to do this in an appropriate and successful fashion is what we refer to as the community's capacity.

Our NRE site and household surveys reveal that there is often a gap between social capital available and the extent to which it is used. This suggests that communities might be overlooking opportunities that exist nearby.

Capacity can be learned through: continuing education, confidence-building successes, conflict resolution, appropriate (including indigenous) knowledge, experience, information exchange and imagination.



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