



**How to use
the
community
to get what
you want**



HELLO!



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Where do we live exactly?



<https://suncatcherstudio.com/patterns/us-maps/>



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Previous Projects

Let's start with Lily telling us about her project



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A new Bus Shelter

My project was on prioritizing the installation of a bus shelter near my local independent living center.

My reason for a new bus shelter being the fact that my hometown's wind makes the cold weather seem even colder, which can make disabilities feel worse.



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What do you think the logo stands for in Disability EmpowHer Network?



The logo stands for a mentor and mentee sharing a bond which helps them spread advocacy and change.



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Visiting a domestic violence shelter

My project took some time to get started because I had to find a shelter that was willing to work with me.

I learned many things along the way...

How many women each day are raped or sexually assaulted?



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500 women

Whoa! That's a big number!



That's 1 in 4 women each day, according to
futures without violence!



<https://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/>



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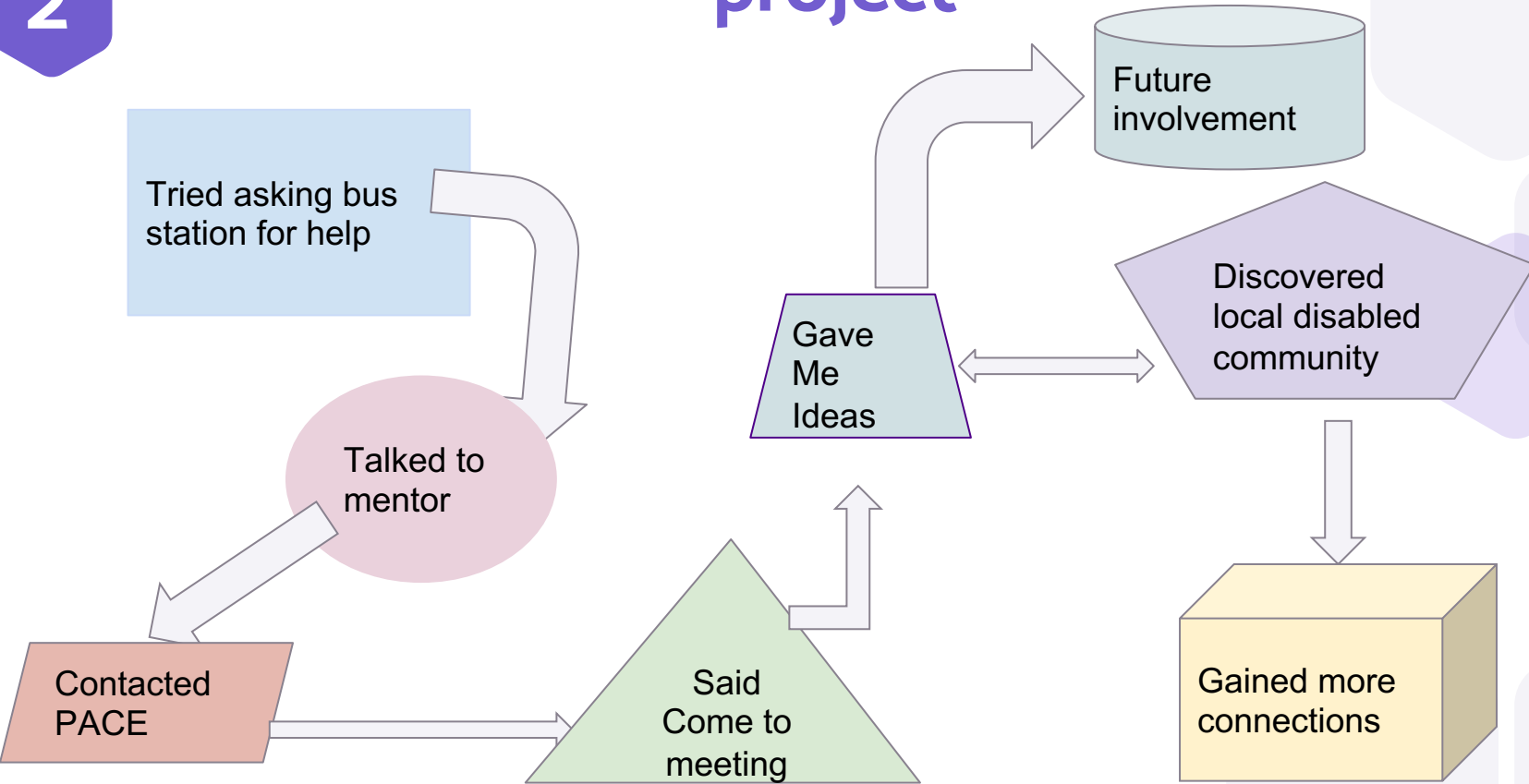
Our different Communities

Why it's important to have support



Why I needed support during my project

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How I got my support during my previous project

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- ★ Sometimes you just have to find your community!



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Being leaders

What does that mean in different ways



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Leading in different ways

- ★ I usually lead with words and empowerment, which is very important when speaking to different groups.
- ★ I use online resources to my advantage, creating posts and petitions.



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Leading in different ways continued

- ★ I let my community know the big issue is in our community
- ★ I led myself and mentor through an online training to become a Certified Inclusion Ambassador



How can all of you lead?

- ◆ How do you lead in your daily life?
- ◆ Is there any time that you've led where you've felt particularly proud?





THANKS!

Any questions?

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