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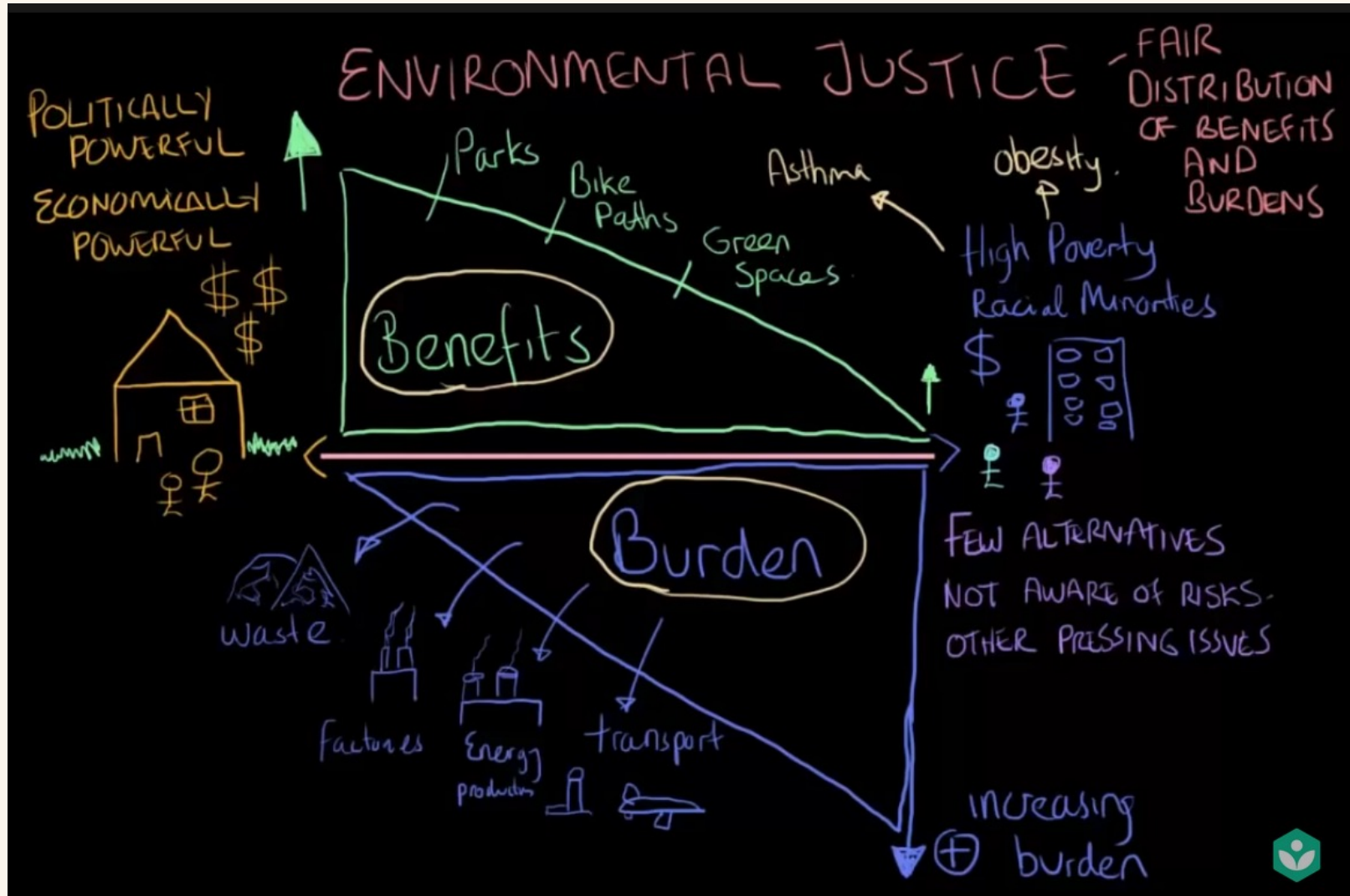
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Environmental Justice

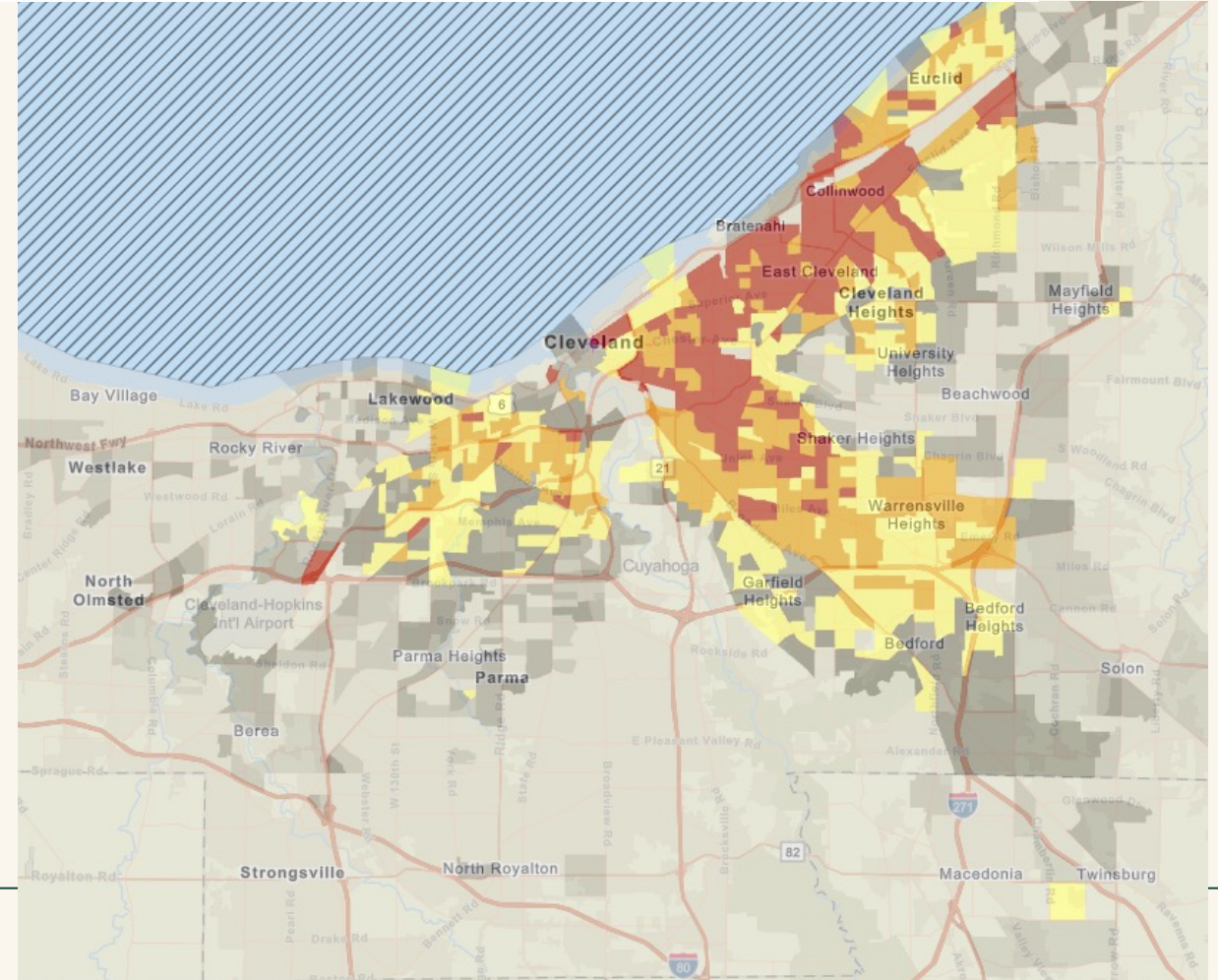
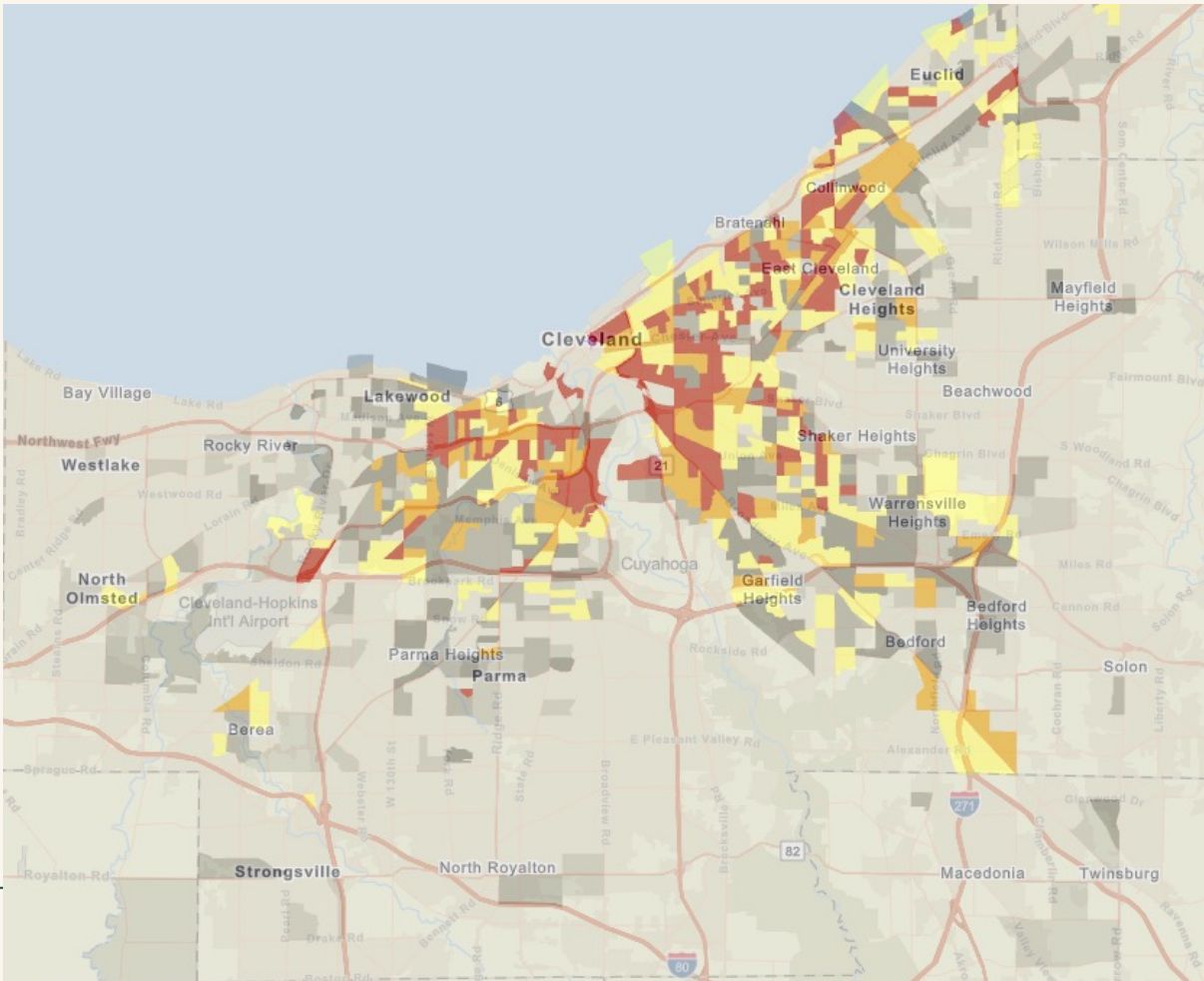


Environmental Justice

In Cleveland, Ohio



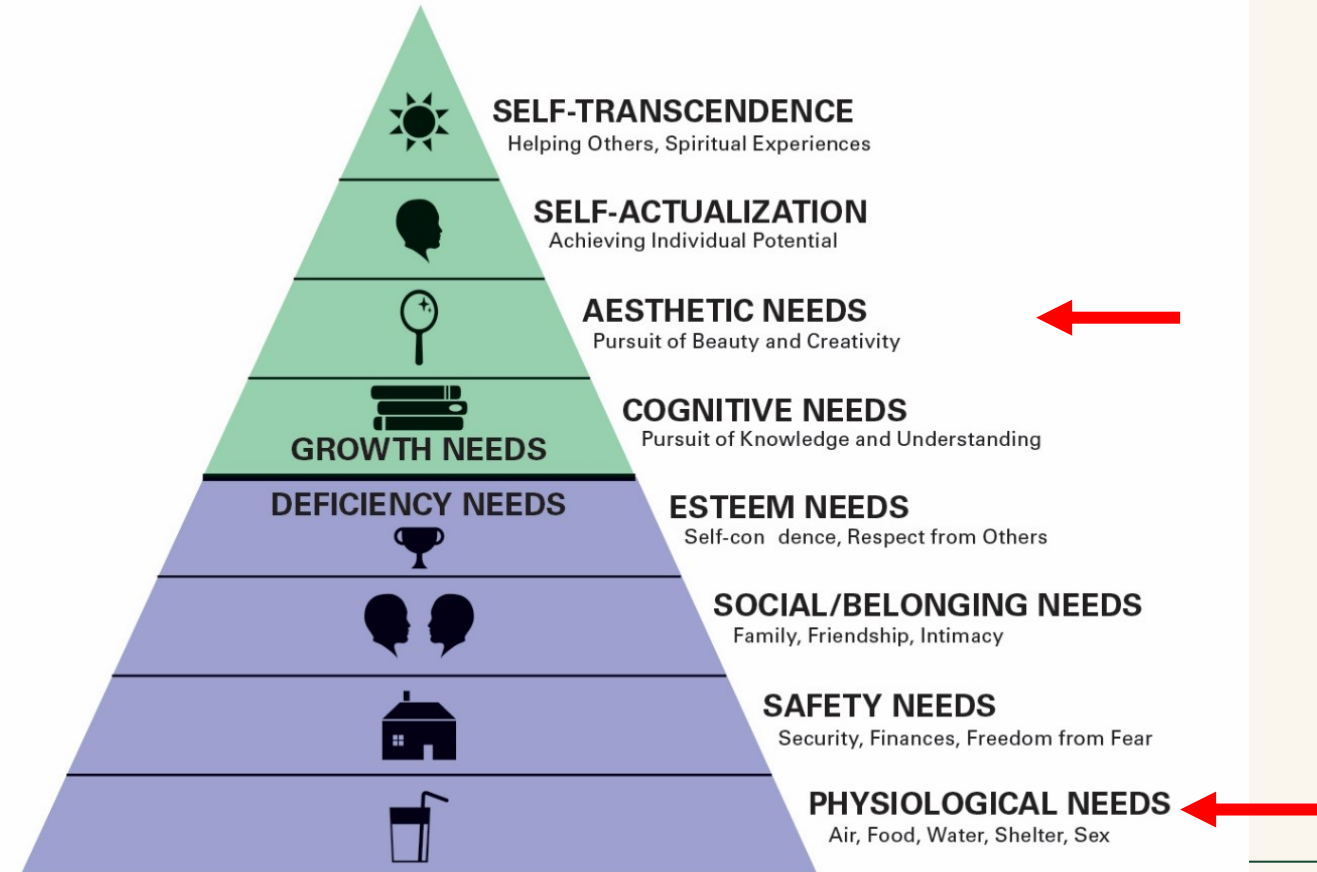
 **EPA EJScreen** EPA's Environmental Justice Screening and Mapping Tool (Version 2.2)



Environmental Justice and community forestry

Hierarchy of Needs

Developed by Maslow



Where do most community forestry projects fall along this hierarchy?

Who benefits most from these projects?

What if these projects focused on deficiency needs?

Now who benefits most?



Environmental Justice and community forestry in Cleveland, OH



Learning community engagement while planting trees

1,842 Urban Trees Planted or Cared for by Holdens Urban Forestry Program

Year	Trees planted	Trees maintained
2018	510	272
2019	111	191
2021	294	102
2023	184	178

Cleveland Tree Plantings



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Cindy Blackstock

FIRST NATIONS CARING SOCIETY

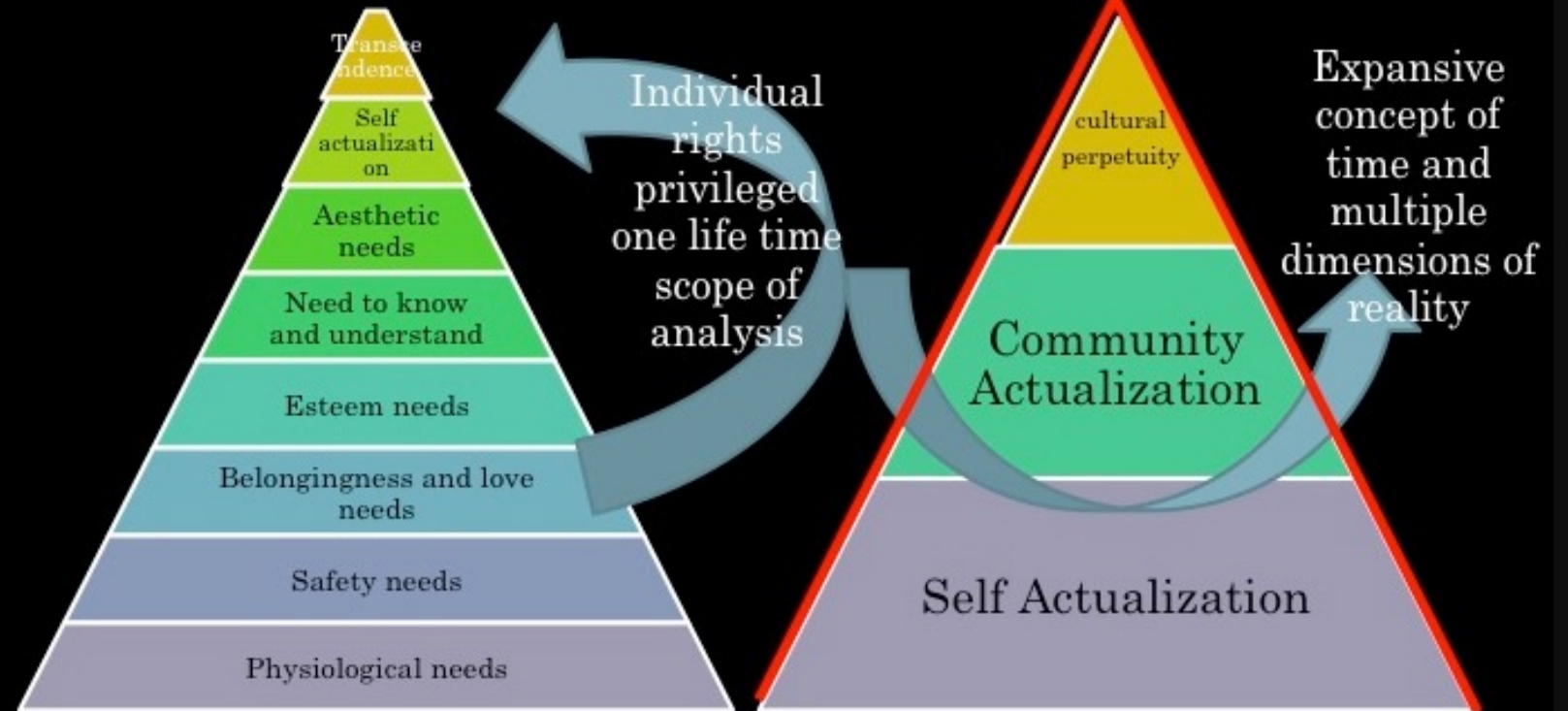


“Breath of life” as presented by Dr. Cindy Blackstock

MASLOW'S HIERARCHY OF NEEDS (INFORMED BY BLACKFOOT NATION (ALTA))

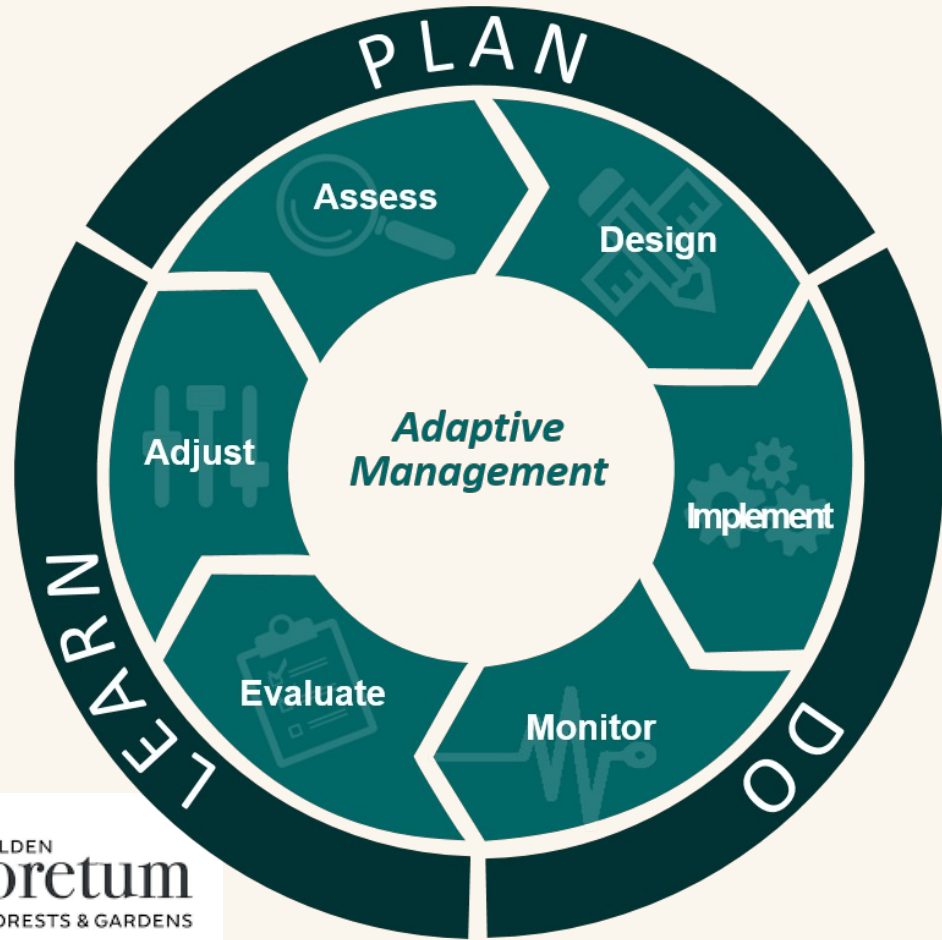
Western Perspective

First Nations Perspective

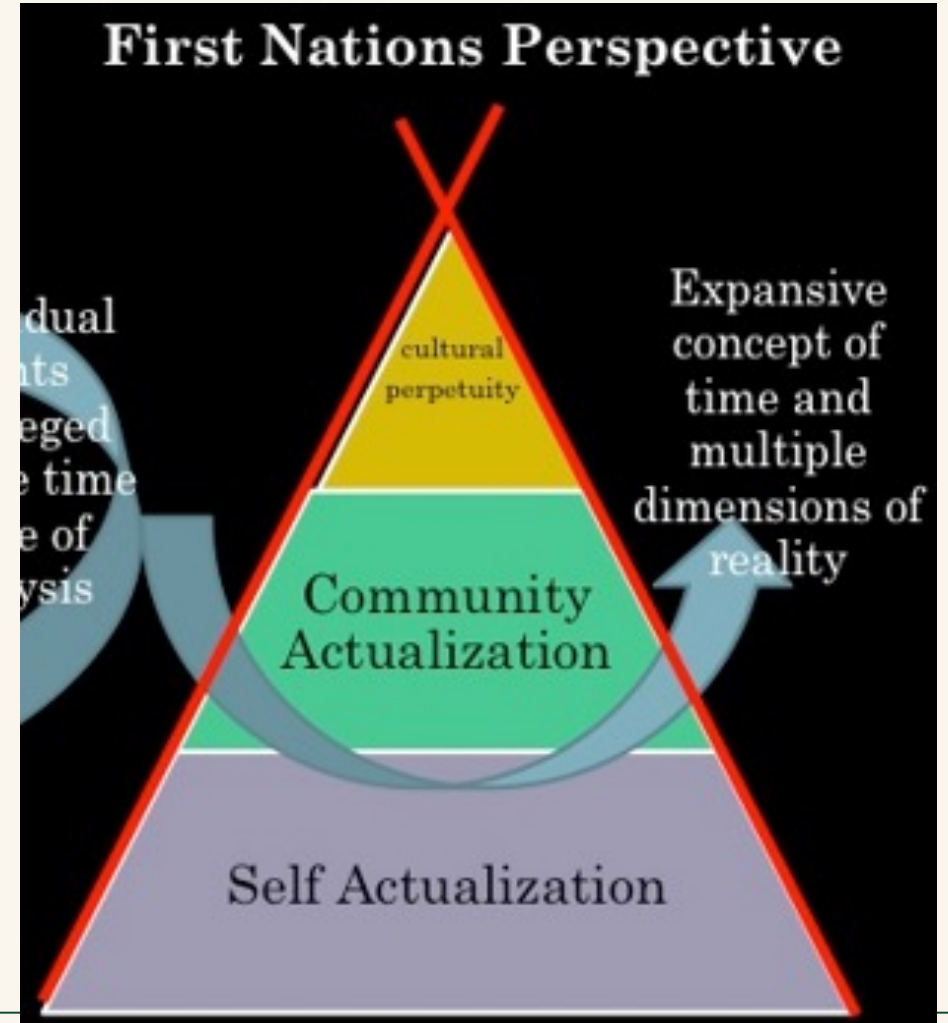


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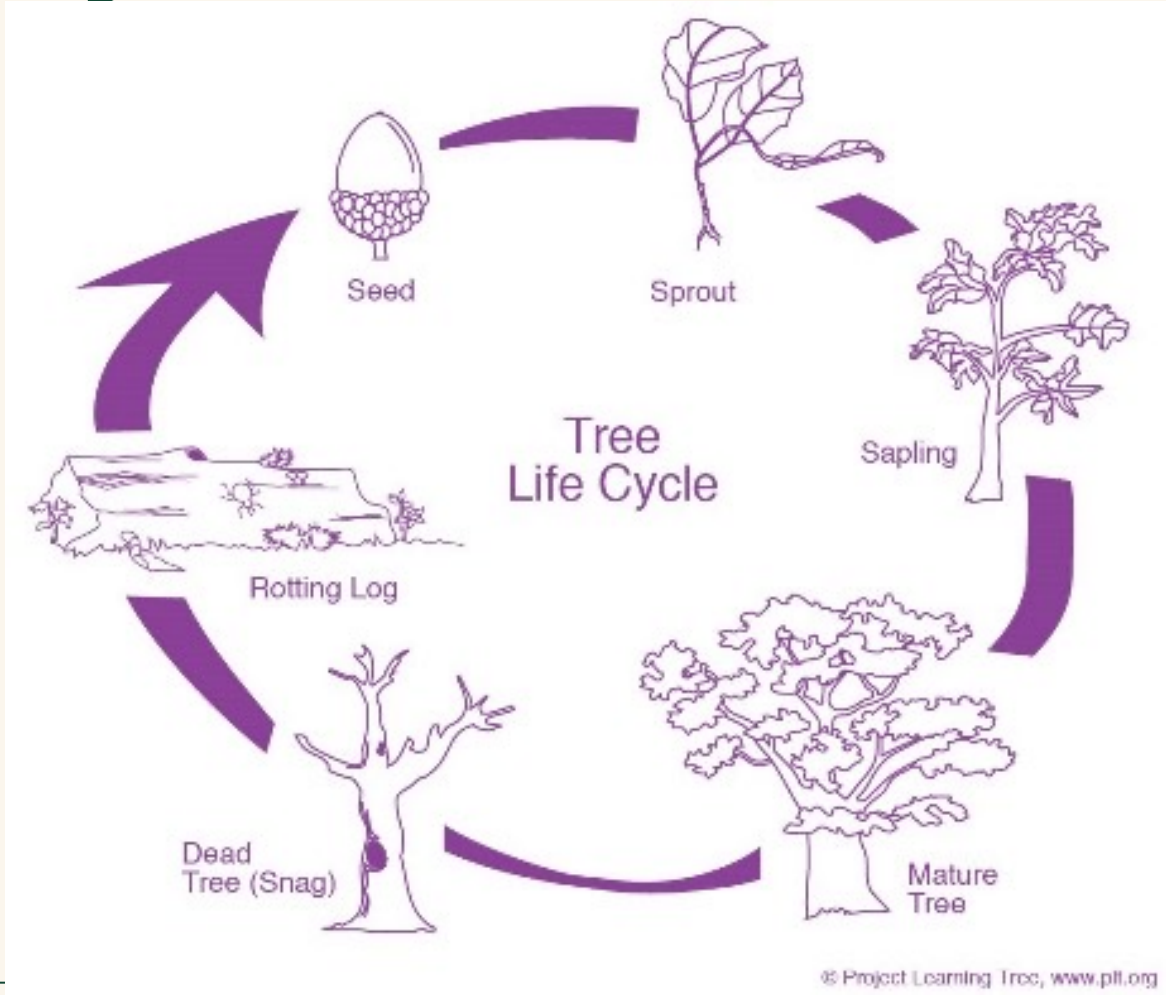
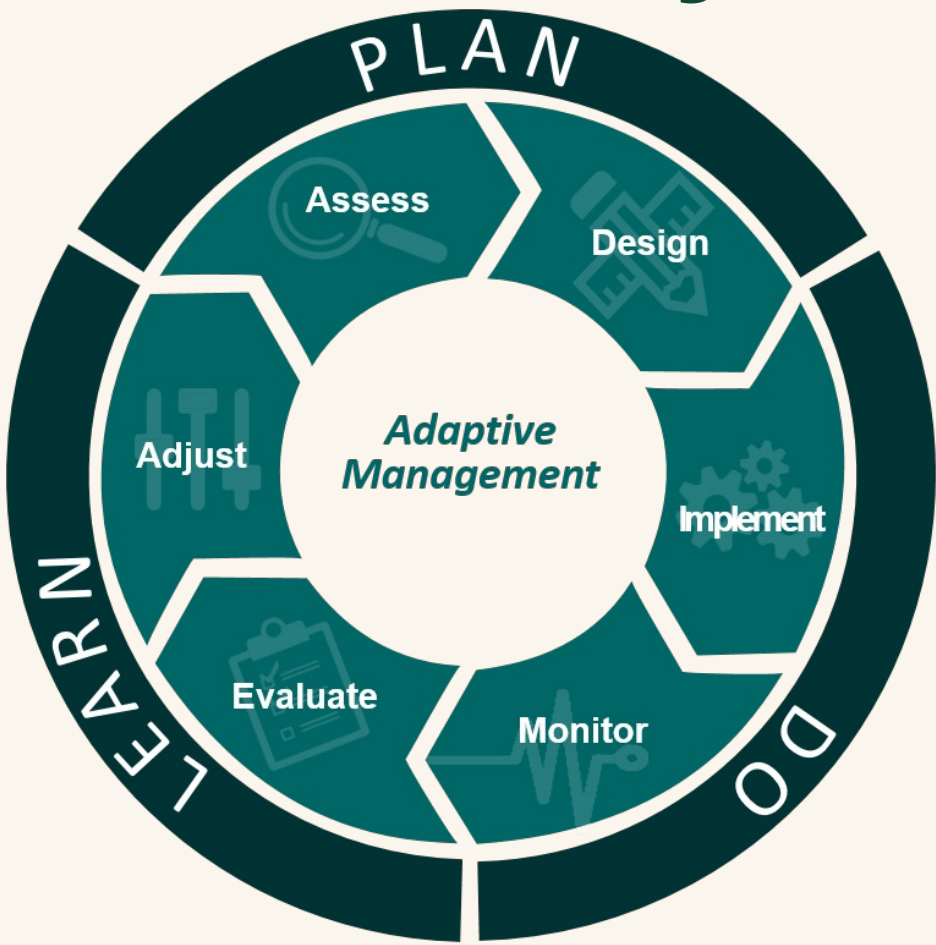
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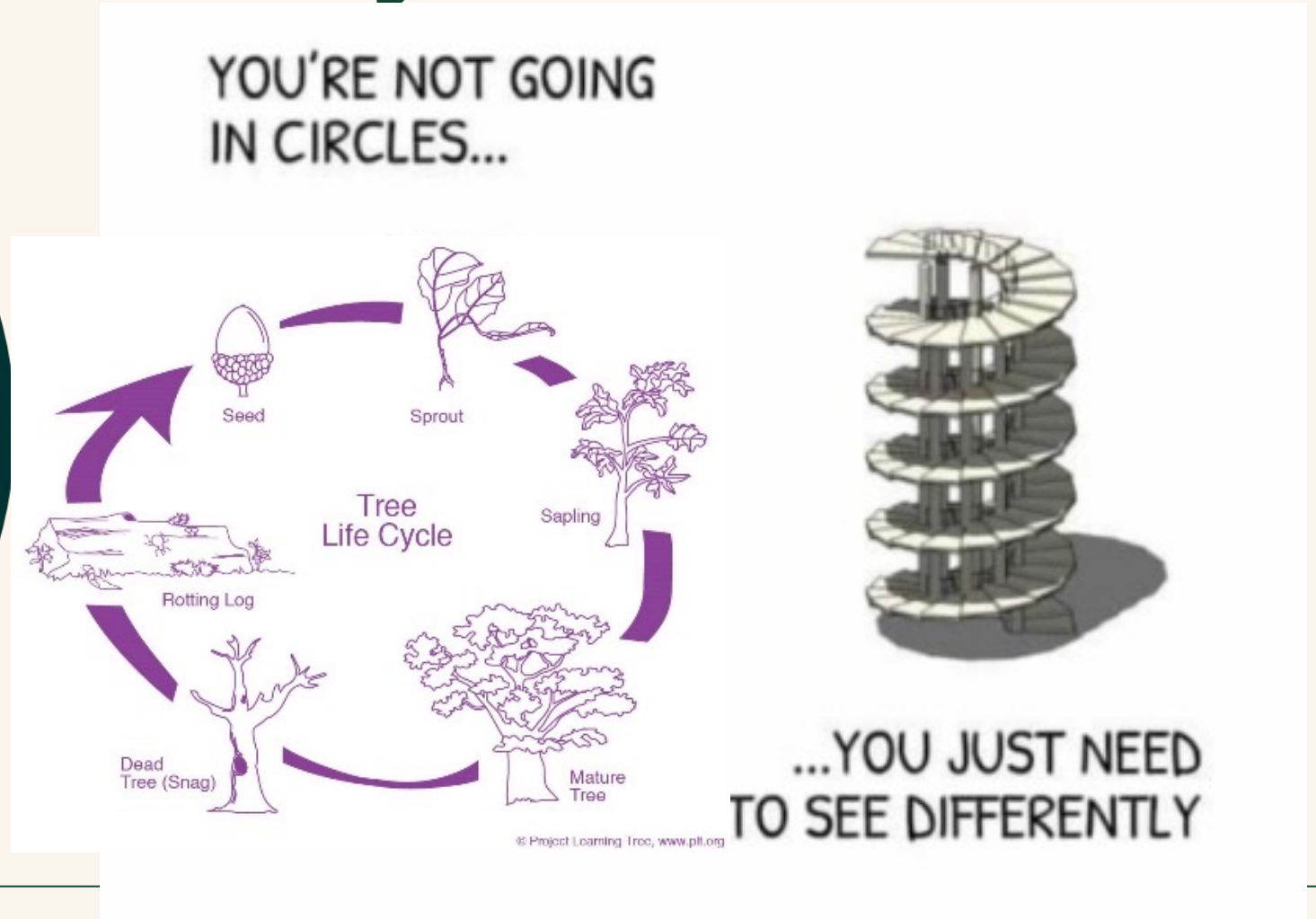
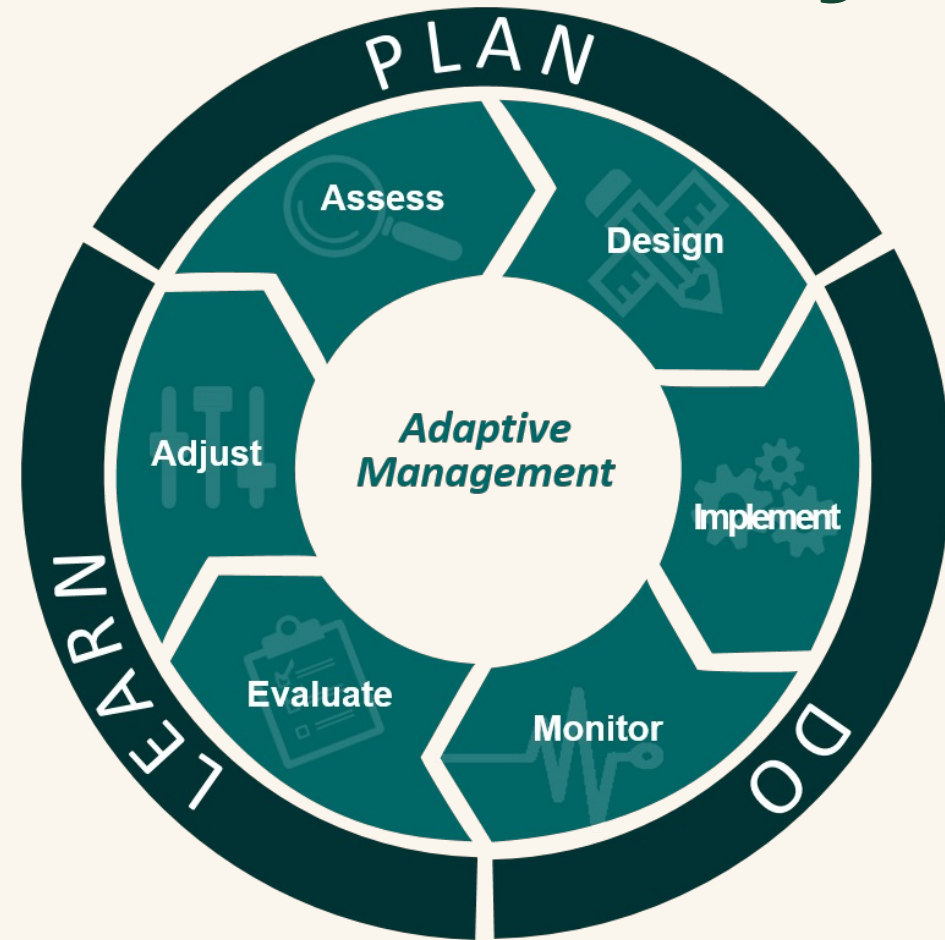
Adaptive Management wheel.
Credit: ESSA Technologies, Ltd.

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Creating community around trees

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Community

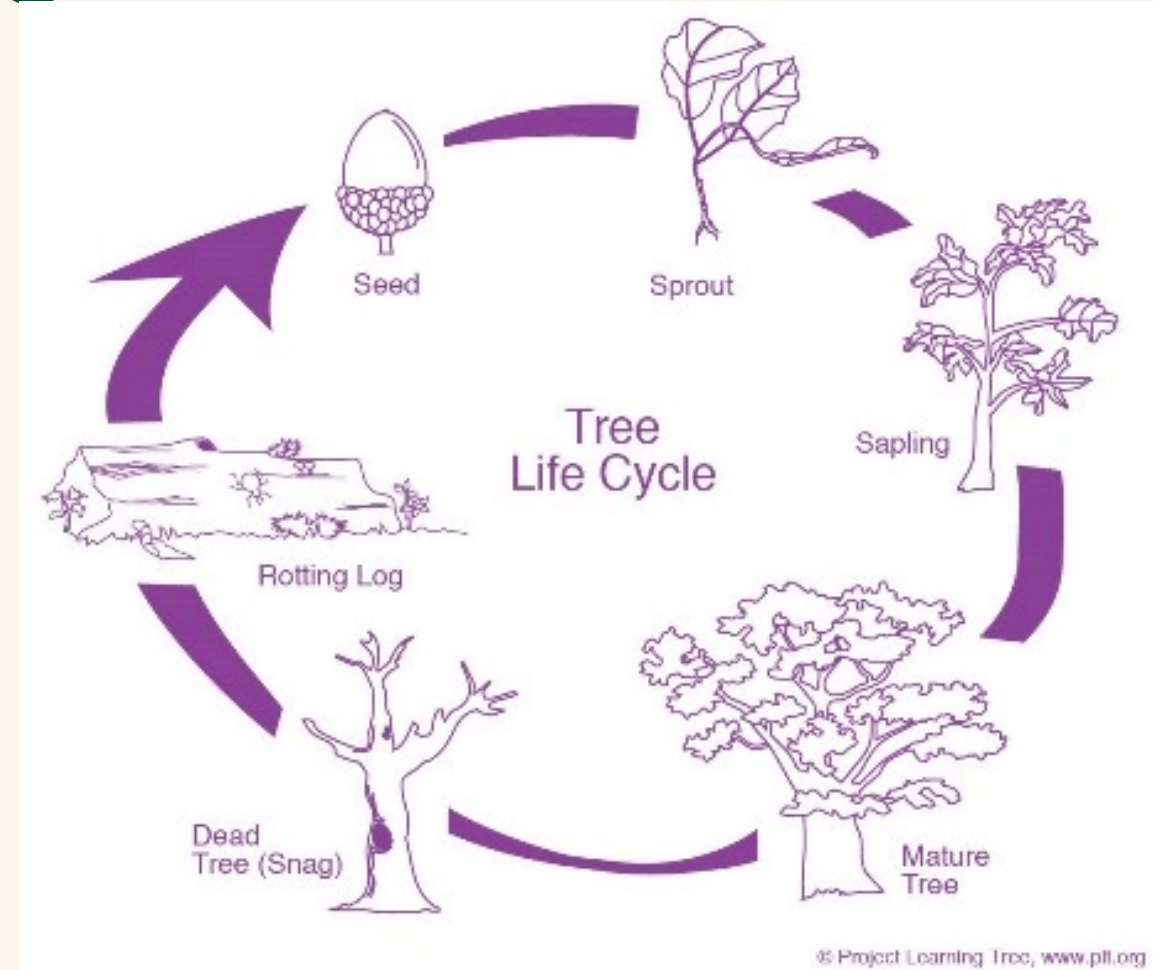
Food not bombs volunteers

Students at OSU

Community members in Columbus & Cleveland

Conservationists across the midwest

Cycle workshop participants at local arts & community festivals (Mosaic, Equilumia)



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