

Cause and Effect

A Flow Chart Activity about Poverty/Hunger/Homelessness



Instructions: You will be working with 2-3 other people on this activity, but you will also be doing some thinking on your own. Please follow the steps below as the activity unfolds:

1. Together with your activity partners, decide on your group's key word (the word that will go in the center of your flow chart). For today's purposes, please choose Poverty, Hunger, or Homelessness as your key word.*
2. Thinking as an individual first, use the flow chart page in your handouts to jot down your initial thoughts about causes, effects, and potential solutions in relation to your key word.
3. Share your initial responses with other members of your small group.
4. Use the designated newsprint sheet on your table to develop a flow chart that represents your group's collaborative input on this topic. Make sure everyone participates in developing this collective product. All group members should have markers in hand!
5. When the facilitator gives the signal for a "Gallery Walk," please circulate around the room to observe the work of other groups. Look for 2-3 ideas you'd like to "borrow."
6. Return to your table and work with your activity partners to incorporate the "borrowed" ideas in your original flow chart.
7. Prepare to share observations/insights from this activity in large group.

****As you will see, this activity can easily be adapted to fit any issue or topic.***

Flow Chart Activity

