Freedom Communities Foundations

Kickstarting Your Community for Success

Importance of solid foundation

The Freedom Community can become a powerful and important village made up of members who watch out for each other and work together to achieve amazing things

For this reason, getting organised, building trust and creating supportive practises will all help mature and grow the community

Outlined below are 3 key foundations that are recommended as they have enabled great success across the Freedom Communities

First Foundation

Getting your membership organised

Your priority should be organising your Freedom Community. This will transform the group from a collection of individuals to an aligned and supportive family. The following tasks are recommended.

- Assign at least 1 or 2 admins for the group who can help assign and administer tasks.
- Create a list of all members and record the following information: Name, Number, Email, Address, Key Skills to, Key Resources to Share.
- Create smaller local cells of families based on their proximity and location to each other. The idea being, if something significant happens, loss of Comms/Power etc within close distance groups of families will be able to connect with each other to work together.
- Discuss key skills and resources that the group might need and resolve how to share across the whole group. If there is a need, determine how it will be address across the group, not just as individuals.

Second Foundation

Building Trust Amongst Members

The strength and cooperation of your group will grow as trust within the group grows. This can only be achieved as members spend time getting to know each other and learn to accept and appreciate each unique member.

- Meeting regularly is a must for providing time to connect and share. Picking a 2hr time slot for everyone to physically gather at a home or park is so important for those regular catch ups.
- Encouraging the regular sharing in the chats and one on one. Note, it's important that information shared in the group is constructive and not just a repeat of fear news available on so many other channels. Keep the chat clean.
- "What gets discussed in the group, stays in the group." It's important to respect each others privacy and safety by keeping discussions and what is shared private and in the group.
- Encourage members to share challenges and work as a team to support and encourage them.

Third Foundation

Creating Supportive Practises

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- As mentioned previously, but so very important, make meeting regularly and in person a priority.
- Organised social events are an excellent way to connect regularly
- Group action will create bonding experiences (Attending protests as a group, working as a team on important issues and topics, participating in group wide grassroots actions such as flyers/letters/local public protests
- Work through priority lists together and create working groups to focus on specific issues and then return to the group with answers/solutions
- Set up a parallel online group for the kids to chat and connect so they also don't feel left out

Example Membership List

Name	Number	Email	Address	Cell#	Skills	Resource s
Joe R	123456	Joe@Mail.co m	1 Pine St, Ryde	1	Plumber	Fuel
Jane D		Jane	Ryde	1	Teacher	Vegi Patch
Mike S		Mike	Ryde	1	Nurse	Medicines
Lucy P			Ryde	1	IT	
Ron Y			Gladesville	2		
Peter F			Gladesville	2		
Alan T			Gladesville	2		