

Sustainability Checklist Tool

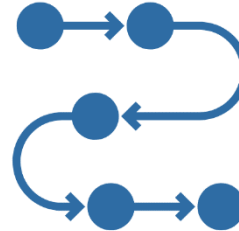
How Can We Sustain Our Efforts?

Sustainability Self-Assessment

The following questions review the key concepts in these five steps of sustainability planning.

Five-step Sustainability Planning Process

1. Determine your sustainability goal(s) and approach
2. Identify resources needed to reach your goal.
3. Identify partners that can help you
4. Develop your pitch for their support
5. Monitor progress/success over time



Questions to Guide Your Sustainability Planning Process	Yes	No	Don't Know
Have you clarified which prevention interventions and processes of your efforts are most important to sustain? <i>See Tool 1. Setting Sustainability Goals</i>			
Have you used data to identify specific, realistic goals for the key interventions and processes to be sustained? <i>See Tool 1. Setting Sustainability Goals</i>			
What approaches (P.E.A.R.S.) have you considered to sustain each selected intervention or process? <i>See Tool 2. Selecting Your Sustainability Approach</i>			
Do you have the necessary resources required for the level of effort and impact for each approach? <i>See Tool 3: Identifying Needed Resources</i>			
Have you identified the essential personnel and non-personnel resources needed to reach your sustainability goals? <i>See Tool 3: Identifying Needed Resources</i>			
Have you identified sources to cover costs of personnel and non-personnel resources necessary to sustain? <i>See Tool 3: Identifying Needed Resources</i>			
Do you know which decision-makers in your community should be involved as you decide which elements of the efforts you will sustain? <i>See Tool 4. Identifying Partners that Can Help You</i>			



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Have you considered how each partner might assist in sustaining your efforts? <i>See Tool 4. Identifying Partners that Can Help You</i>			
Are there additional partners that you should consider as you think about sustaining your efforts? <i>See Tool 4. Identifying Partners that Can Help You</i>			
Have you developed a clear, consistent message about the importance of your goals and success in reaching them that will help sustain your efforts? <i>See Tool 5: Developing Your Sustainability Outreach Approach</i>			
Have you identified which audiences you need to reach to sustain your efforts? <i>See Tool 5: Developing Your Sustainability Outreach Approach</i>			
Have you articulated how each partner will benefit by joining or remaining in the partnership? <i>See Tool 5: Developing Your Sustainability Outreach Approach</i>			
Additional Questions			
Have you designed a way to monitor progress in sustaining the processes and interventions in your sustainability plan?			
Have you considered how to best select and present your evaluation data to enhance sustainability efforts?			
Have you considered what messages you might use to communicate and celebrate your sustainability efforts, and how they help achieve outcomes of your intervention?			
Have you created plans to communicate, involve, and educate partners and community members about your sustainability goals and objectives---and your success in achieving them---in order to sustain your efforts?			

