

Developing the Social Economy

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There is a long history of CED and Social Economy in Quebec and Canada.



10 Key Tasks

What must we do, have, or create if communities are to thrive?

Affordable Housing & Food Security

are basic to human physical, emotional, and social functioning.

Social Supports strengthen the connection between citizens, foster inclusion, facilitate participation in community life, strengthen families, and encourage the realization of individual and collective goals.

The Social Tasks

Health & Safety are essential to our willingness and ability to participate in community life as parents, employees, business-owners, voters, and investors.

Access to quality **Education** will determine much of what people do with their lives and the contribution they make to the lives of others.

Culture & Recreation reinforce the physical and emotional health of citizens and communities. Opportunities for leisure and reflection broaden and deepen people's participation in other aspects of community life.



The Economic Tasks

Local Equity & Ownership ensure that local interests influence business decisions and that the resulting capital is reinvested in local development.

Accessible Credit focusses on extending loans to people marginalized from conventional financing.

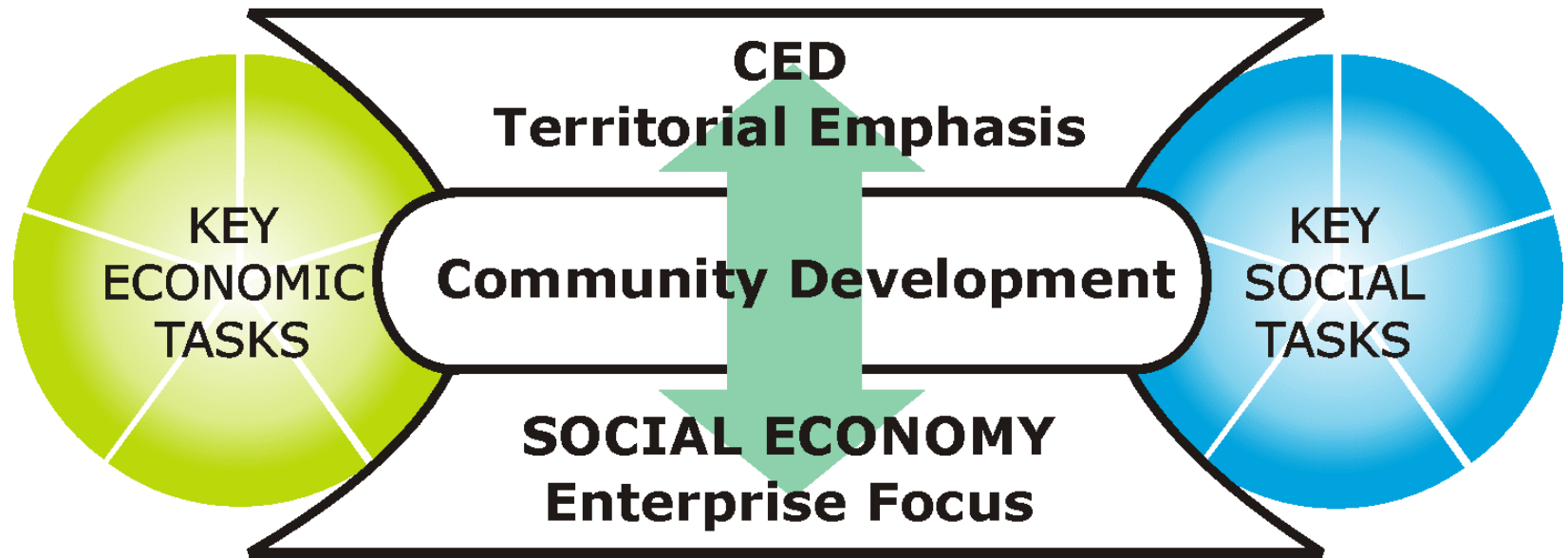
Planning, Research, & Advocacy enable people to make good decisions about what to do, when to do it, with whom and with what.

Preparing **People** to become competent employees, employers, organizers, co-ordinators, administrators is what fuses the "people supply" to "people demand."

Physical **infrastructure** is the array of public and private installations that undergird public health, mobility, and communication.



Environmental Stewardship



**Strengthening Citizen Engagement
& Social Interconnectedness**

Municipal Roles to Support Social Economy

- Enterprise Support Services
- CED Enabler
- Investor
- Customer



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