



Everyone \_\_\_\_\_ has something to *Contribute*.

No one is so poor that they have nothing to bring.

Ask people to be the solution to their own problem.

Allowing them to innovate.

That's what empowerment really is.

God has given everyone inherit dignity, worth, and value.

When you feel that you are better than them, have more knowledge, are more educated, and have more answers...

You are set up for failure not transformation.

There is an assumption of need-based thinking: That there is a deficit of...

**NEEDS-BASED DEVELOPMENT** Focuses on the deficits and shortcomings in the life of a person or community

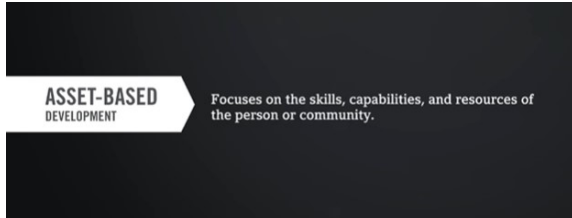
**SOLUTIONS AND RESOURCES COME FROM OUTSIDE THE INDIVIDUAL OR COMMUNITY.**

- human resources,
- economic resources, and
- knowledge resources.

It is often the case that simply asking people to consider their gifts

IS poverty alleviation,

The Starting point is to focus on the gifts & abilities they already have.



Where to Begin:

1. Ask what gifts do you have?
2. What are your dreams?
3. What prevents you from achieving your dreams?
4. Identify resources that you have access to in helping them achieve those dreams and offer those.

When you bring relief to a people's lives that are static & stable...

You're actually creating harm.

It blinds them to their own assets.

Only bring outside resources to supplement resources, not to replace them.

**PARTICIPATION** is the engine of development that creates

ownership & enthusiasm.

**PARTICIPATION** isn't just a means to an end....

but **PARTICIPATION** is a valid end in its own right.