

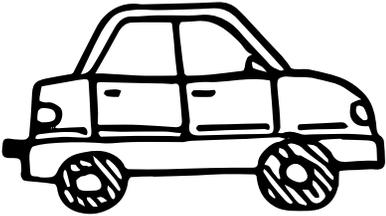


LET'S TALK ABOUT RESOURCES

Helping congregations have more meaningful
and creative conversations about resources.



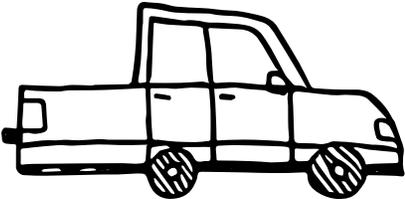
Moving resources



LOAN/INVESTMENT

This could be in the form of an equity investment or loan investment. Equity involves the outlay of an asset (normally money) today in the hope of a return in the future. A loan is when something is given (normally money) with the legal or contractual expectation of it being returned, often though not always, with interest.

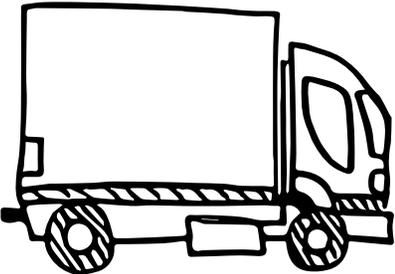
Examples: Equity investment - venture capital, stocks and shares. Loan investment - business loan from a bank, mortgage, peer-to-peer lending.



GIFT

When a resource is offered with no legal or contractual obligation for a return. Culturally, there are different understandings of whether there is a social expectation of some sort of return.

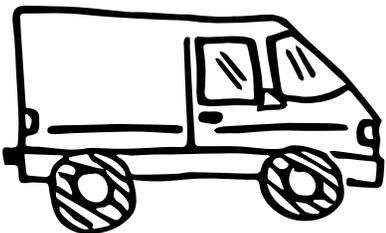
Examples: donations, tithes, grants.



PROPERTY

For the purpose of this game, the use of property to generate revenue. Consider all the different ways a congregation's building or property might increase income.

Examples: This could be in the form of rent (housing, offices, events etc.), or providing space for enterprise (restaurant, cafe, retail etc.), or selling the property.



RELATIONSHIPS

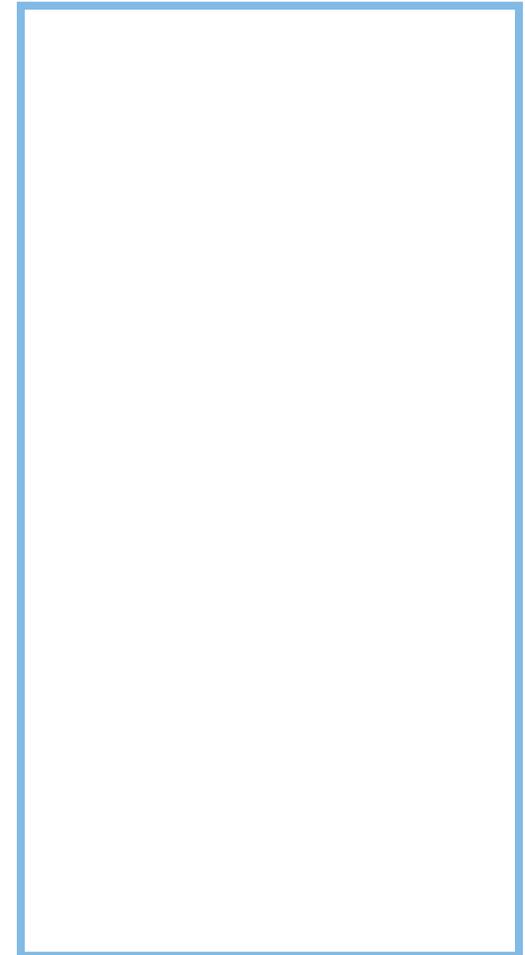
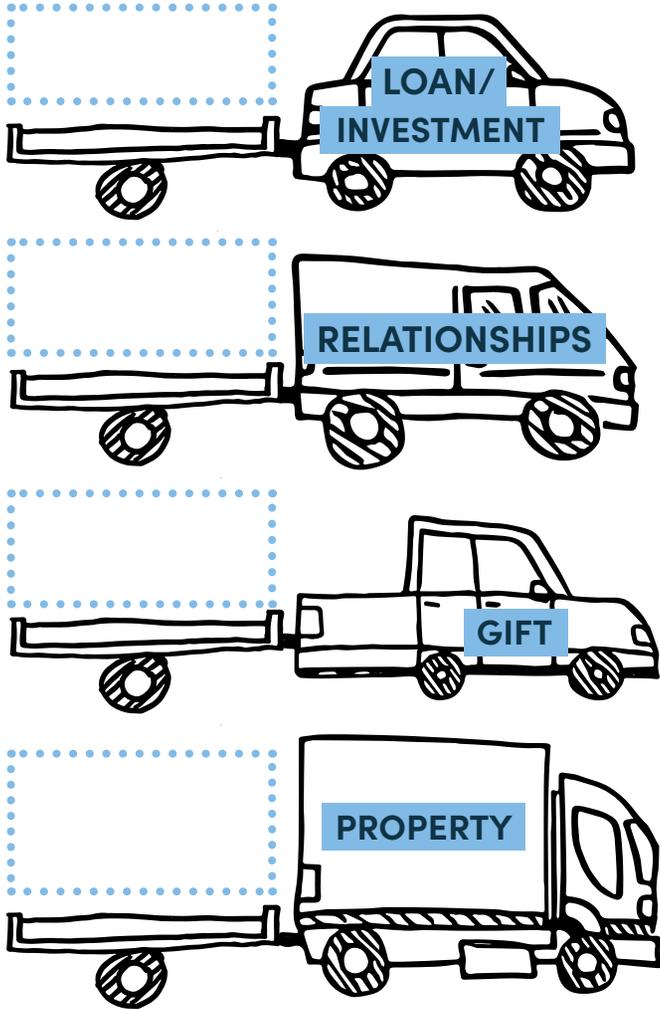
'It's not what you know but who you know...'
Relationships, connections and networks are often under-appreciated as a resource that a congregation can draw upon to contribute to its wider community.

Examples: non-profit partnerships, municipal support, business relationships.

ROUND 3

Your own community

Now, play this game for your own context. As this tool is designed to spark imagination, try to come up with an idea that has not yet been discussed in your context. Follow the order of the three numbered sections below.



2 CHOOSE A VEHICLE TO DEPLOY

What will this vehicle provide?
Enter an amount or description
in the box on the trailer.

3 DEVELOP AN IDEA

Finally, come up with an idea for
how that resource and particular
deployment might meet the need.
(There is no obligation to implement
this so have fun and be creative!)

1 IDENTIFY NEED

Start by identifying a need
you have observed in the local
community.

Reflection Questions

What new insights emerged during the course of this workshop?

What challenges or barriers do you face in using resources more creatively?

What opportunities can you imagine in your context for deploying your congregation's resources in new ways?

What next?

- 1) What step can you take in the next month to keep momentum on this conversation?
- 2) Find another congregation to share this journey and the challenges and opportunities it is creating.
- 3) Visit [RootedGood](#) and [Lake Institute](#) for additional resources.

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