Collective Impact Feasibility Framework

1. **Which specific social problem should we focus on in this community?**
   - Assess the specific social problem you want to address by selecting the social problem that allows you to...
   - ...dramatically improve social outcomes
   - ...take advantage of recent changes in the landscape (e.g., policy changes)
   - ...urgently respond to a community need.
   - Select social problem to focus on.

2. **Are there multiple actors in the system who can influence this social problem?**
   - If yes, consider collaborative approach to solve social problem.
   - If no, consider programmatic solution and/or capacity building.

3. **If yes, is collective impact the most appropriate solution for solving this social problem in this community?**
   - **If yes, is this community ready for cross-sector collaboration?**
     - Are there influential champions who can provide local leadership?
     - Do financial resources exist to support collaboration for at least 12 months?
     - Is there a history of collaboration in the local community?
     - Is there urgency for change on this issue?
     - If no, focus on recruiting local champions who are passionate about the issue.
     - If no, focus on building new resources or realigning current resources to support a collaborative effort.
     - If no, support efforts that build relationships and trust between local stakeholders over time.
     - If no, work with local champions to bring visibility to the issue over time.

   - **Complexity of the social problem**
     - In complex problems, ...
     - ...no one actor alone can solve the problem.
     - ...there are gaps and silos in the system.
     - ...there is lack of coordination among actors.
     - ...there is need for new policies or significant policy change.
     - ...there is need for innovation or new solutions.

   - **Scale of the social problem**

   - **If no, consider a programmatic solution.**