

# Review of: "Working on the Root System of Social Connections in a Community"

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The paper addresses the issue of community-building practices through the lens of Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD). It is well-written and engaging, thanks to the fascinating storytelling related to the case study of the Voorstad neighborhood in Deventer, Netherlands. The analogy between the community's relationship sphere and the root system of a forest is also intriguing and compelling. The figure presented in the chapter "In a nutshell" has an insufficient definition to be practical and valuable. I suggest replacing it with a more efficient one, and the paper could have benefited from a more extensive literature framework to delineate the research problem better, allowing us to appreciate its contribution to the scientific discussion on community engagement even more. Overall, it is a useful and pleasant read.