



Gaining Perspective

The Challenge of Community Conversation

Seeing Through a Lens

Lenses are shaped by our life's experiences and give rise to our perspectives, opinions and ideas.



The Challenges of Combining Perspectives



OUR PERSPECTIVES ARE
DIVERSE AND CONTRADICTING.



OUR IDEAS AND OPINIONS CAN
BE DEEPLY PERSONAL.



SOME VOICES ARE LOUDER
THAN OTHERS.

How Do We Move Past This Point?

Understand

Understand our Hurdles

Soften

Soften the 'Solution Finding' Emphasis

Develop

Develop our Capacity for Community Conversation

Not EITHER / OR ... BOTH / AND

Solution-Based Focus

- Deliver Now.
- Community Wins.
- Raise Community Pride.

Conversation-Based Focus

- Exploring New Ground.
- Developing Relationships.
- Broadening Our Understanding

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