Grassroots Policy Development Framework

**I2I-Ideation to Implementation**

- **Authentic Community Engagement**
- **Voice of Community**
- **Strategic Partnerships/Impacted Communities**

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Communities identify a problem and potential policy solutions through a facilitated deliberative dialogue process. The language, data is captured and quantified to understand which solutions have the most public support.

Identified policy solution is shared with a sympathetic lawmaker who agrees to write and sponsor a bill through the legislature with the understanding that community constituents who helped develop the policy will be available to advocate as it moves through committee.

Once passed and signed, the policy is celebrated but the realization is that this is only half of the process. Now, it has to be assigned to the right government department/agency and implemented with the intent with which it was written.

Law-makers and grassroots policy advocates now work together with departments to make the policy an authentic piece of policy that will support communities and address the concerns that were identified through that first set of dialogues.

Communities & partners (based on their capacity) fully participate in the implementation of the program/policy to directly address the concerns identified in the community. They should be able to see themselves in the solution.