# Reading: Strategic Planning Assessments

A strategic planning process typically involves some form of internal and external assessment. Assessing your community’s needs and resources can ensure that you understand what is currently happening in your community so that your strategic plan is on target. Developing a plan for identifying local needs and resources can help changemakers understand how to improve their communities in the most logical and efficient ways possible. This reading provides a guide for developing and implementing a plan to assess the needs of communities and the resources available to them.

* [Developing a Plan for Assessing Local Needs and Resources](https://ctb.ku.edu/en/table-of-contents/assessment/assessing-community-needs-and-resources/develop-a-plan/main)