



Middle Ground Public Space Exhibition

Exploratorium, Urban Alchemy & Main Library Partnership

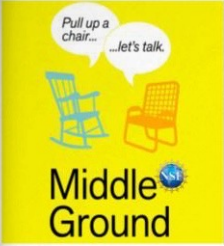
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Re-Launch September 14th



Researched Impacts



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exploratorium

Respect

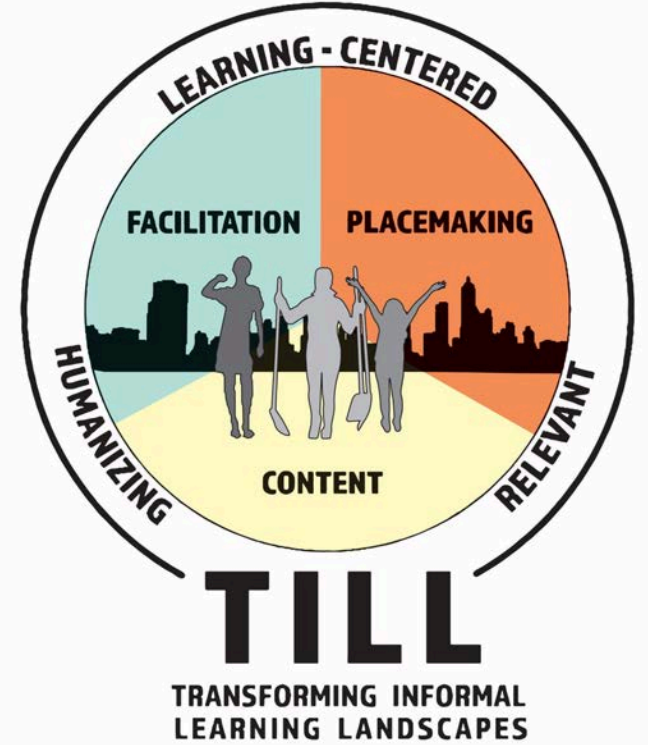
- **86%** of Middle Ground visitors said the experience brought up feelings of respect for people who were different from them

Connection

- **84%** of Middle Ground visitors said the experience brought up feelings of connection for people who were different from them

Compassion

- **80%** of Middle Ground visitors said the experience brought up feelings of compassion for people who were different from them



Placemaking + Inquiry





People are sharing ...

Because I ...

Mix up words

people think ...

I don't speak well

But actually ...

I have a large vocabulary but am dyslexic. I know what I'm trying to say.

A recent disagreement I had was about...

WHY SO MANY HOMELESS

My stance was...

FASE OF DRUGS

If I were to argue the opposite, I'd say...

SO WHAT!

1. COST OF HOUSING
ANXIOUS
2. MENTAL ILLNESS
3. LACK OF HEALTH CARE

Because I ...

express my feelings & emotions

people think ...

I'm DRAMATIC / LVO

But actually ...

I'm just a soft & sensitive soul





Thank you!

