

# Community Benefit Agreements and Statements









**Reaching the furthest behind first is the answer  
to leaving no-one behind**

# FROM MAKING GOOD DEALS, TO MAKING DEALS THAT DO GOOD



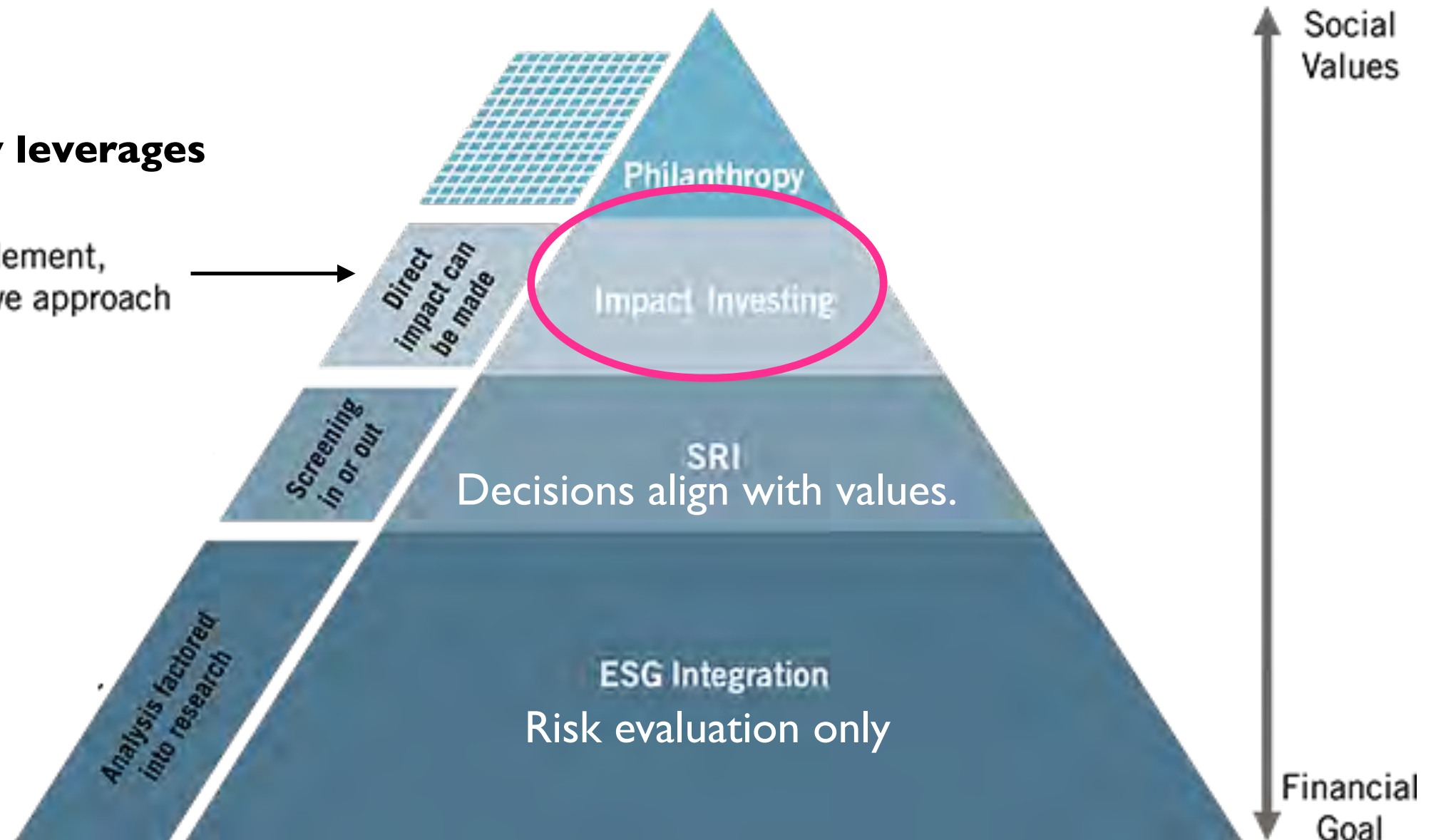
INVESTING PRINCIPAL WITH PRINCIPLES



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**Investment  
aligns & actively leverages  
your values.**

More difficult to implement,  
requires a consultative approach



**Community Benefit Agreements are  
an Impact Investment tool.**

# Community Benefits Agreement



- The CBA must set out the social, environmental, or economic benefits that will be received by the community group. A CBA is a legally binding contract between the small-scale power producer and the community. A community group is defined within the SSGR (section #1d)
- Section #1d is long. An excerpted list is in the speakers notes and will be posted on the SPICE website. Two community groups include are:
  - Cooperatives like SPICE
  - An incorporated congregation or trustee incorporated under the religious Societies' Land Act.



# **Community Benefits Statements (CBS's)**

## **CBS Steps:**

- If a community is 100% equity owner of a project, even if they chose to hire a developer, they issue the CBS.
- The CBS must set out the social, environmental, or economic benefits that will be received by the community group

## Going one step Beyond

What is a Community Coalition?  
neighborhood associations, faith-based  
organizations, unions, environmental groups and  
others representing the interests of the  
impacted community.

As it stands forming a community coalition is not  
a requirement set forth by the SSGR. However  
philosophically and ideally, the best CBA's start  
by building inclusive coalitions of community  
representatives. Broad coalitions build credibility  
and envision what's best for the community.



*Are You Ready To STAND UP?*

Do you feel like you have no  
control over development  
in your community?



What is a  
Community Benefits Agreement?

**JOIN US TO LEARN WHAT YOU  
CAN DO TO STAND UP FOR  
YOUR COMMUNITY!**

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**Thursday February 2  
6:30pm**

**Church as catalyst.**

-and in Edmonton,  
likely leagues, labour,  
equity, climate, biodiversity and  
anti-poverty groups-

StandUpNashville.org



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# Typical benefits negotiated

- contribution to an endowment or other community fund.
- proactive employment (training, fair or living wages, targeted employment).
- buy first clauses (local procurement where local's are used for such services as on-site catering and flyer printing).
- Environmental benefits (Green electrons, energy efficiency).



# **An example of resources being developed to help developers and communities deliver on CBA's.**

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## **City of Edmonton Corporate Procurement and Supply Services Pilot Social Procurement Policy**

**To support Edmonton's goal to end poverty in a generation.**

Contact for program details: Joseph LaCoste at  
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- Portal for developers to find employees to fulfil equity employment commitments
- Portal for agencies helping with training and employment to register
- Hopefully a pipeline we can all use. (due to council Dec 2019)



# A very hypothetical example of a CBS







# Design Charrette

(Who are we and what do we want?)

