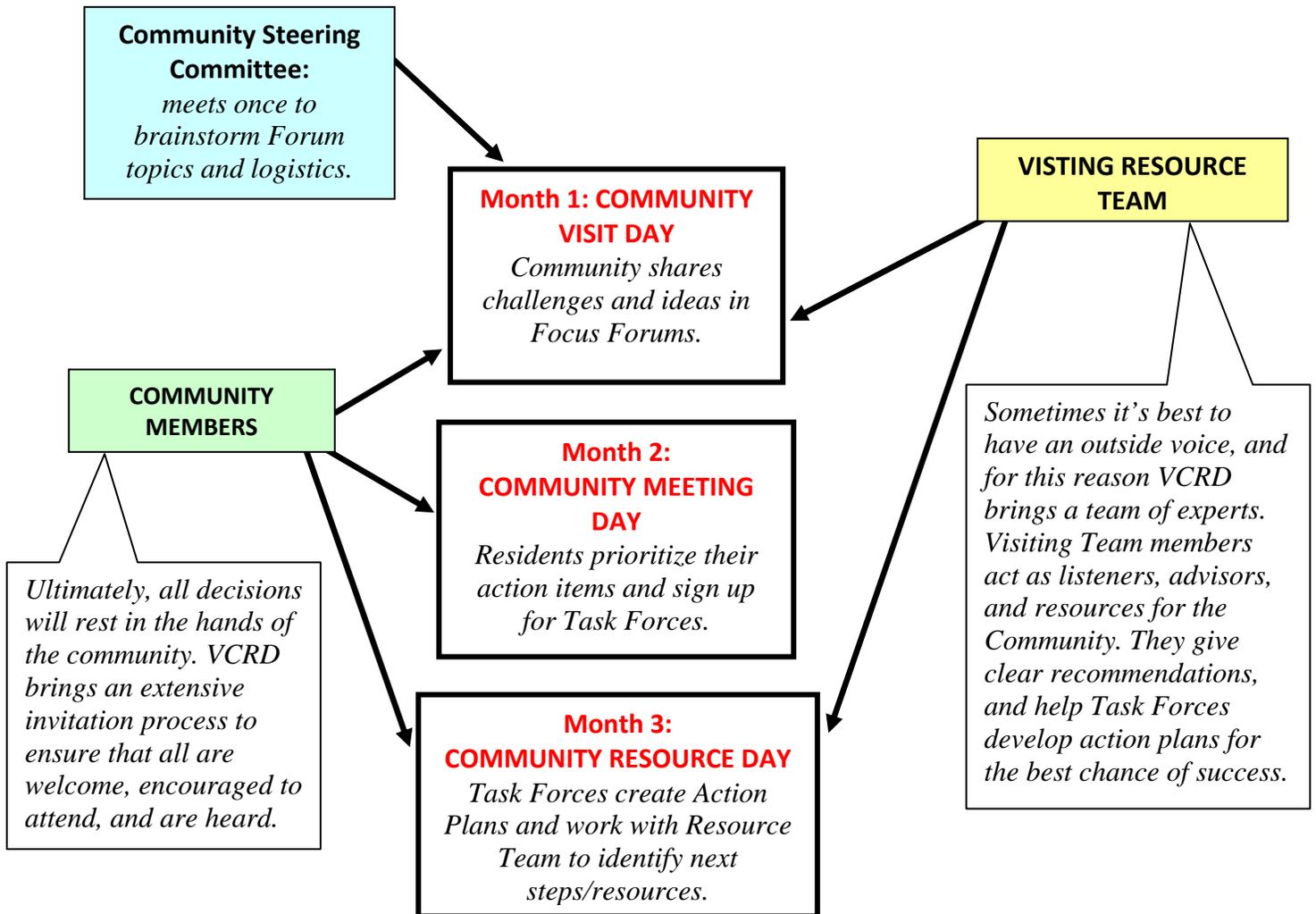


Vermont Council on Rural Development's COMMUNITY VISIT PROGRAM

The Vermont Council on Rural Development (VCRD) believes that community development should begin and end in the hands of the community. For this reason, our program brings the best of local prioritization and engagement together with state, federal and regional experts, so that Vermonters can access the resources they need to make their communities vibrant and sustainable. The Community Visit Program happens in three to four months, with a series of major community events, bringing together local residents with a resource team from across Vermont.



While the program is provided to the towns for free, residents are expected to assist with logistics, community meals and spreading the word. The Community Visit program is built from the priorities that a Community decides on together, so results vary from town to town.

Overall, towns report energized volunteers, better community engagement, and vital connections to state, federal and regional resources.