

The Mountaintop Worksheet

Through discussion with your peers, identify a social issue you want to address or a societal goal you would like to help bring about. It could be ending police brutality, increasing school integration, LGBTQ rights, voting rights, immigration reform, an environmental reform, etc.

My issue: _____

Is my issue under:

- Federal Jurisdiction
- State Jurisdiction
- Local Jurisdiction (City/County)

Is my issue:

- A law that needs to be created?
- A law that needs to be removed?
- A violation of rights?
- Public Safety concern/Environmental Hazard?

What questions do I need to ask to better understand my issue?

Three sources I can use to educate myself on this issue

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2.)

3.)

Three simple actions I can take individually or as part of a group to address my issue

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2.)

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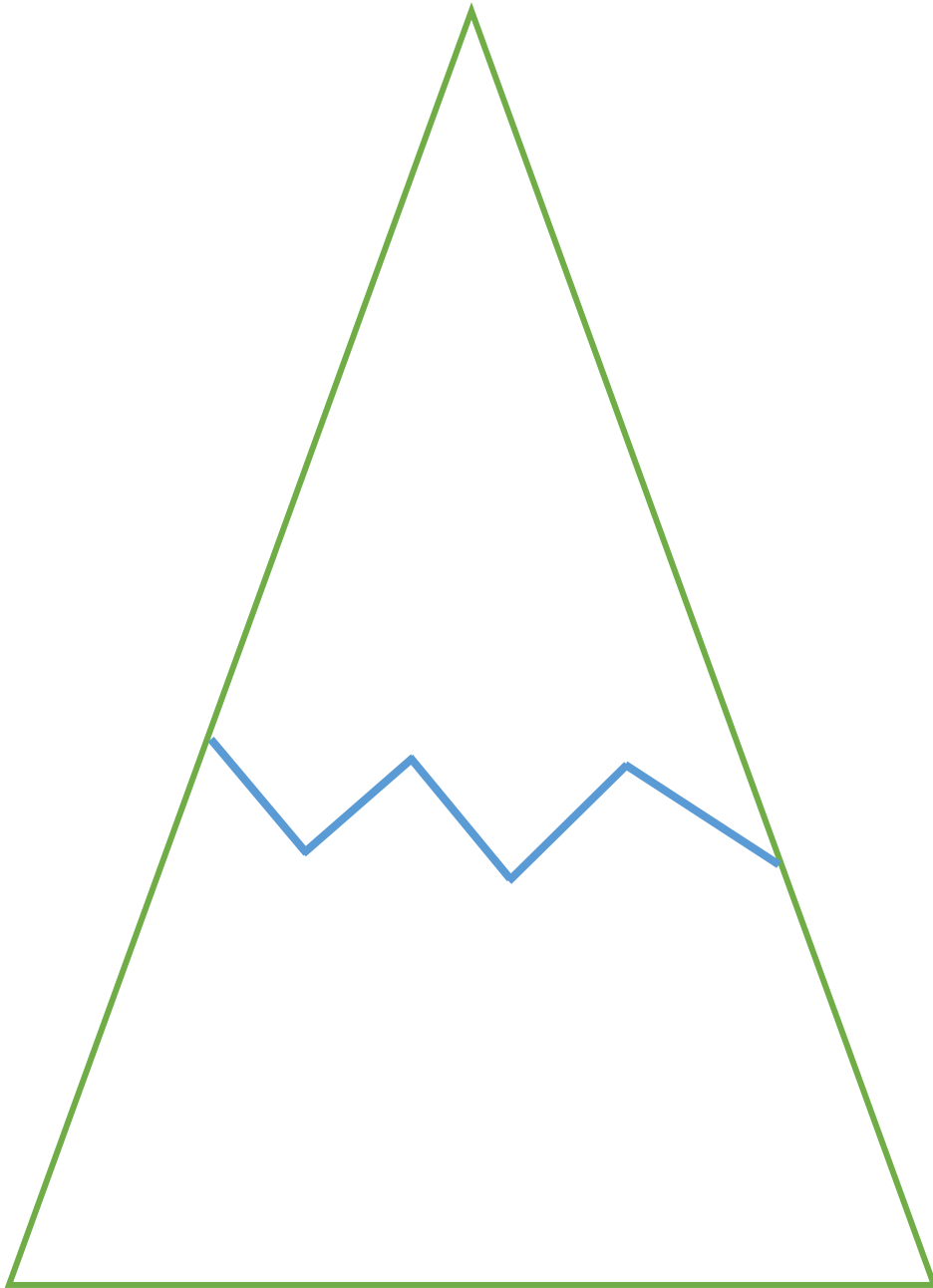
Types of Civic Action

- Court challenge
- Legislative lobbying (Congress, State Legislature, City Council, School Board)
- Negotiation
- Nonviolent protest
- Civil disobedience
- Rally or demonstration
- Boycott
- Community organizing
- Voter Registration
- Awareness campaign
- Artistic Response (Murals, comedy, music, etc.)
- Research
- Social media campaign
- Fundraising
- Training self or others
- Volunteer with an organization
- Voting

**Strategies of violence and intimidation are not listed here as they do not lead to sustainable change, rather create cyclical loops of themselves.*

The Mountaintop: Planning for Change

Start with your societal goal at the top. Work down from your goal, to the legal changes that need to occur, to the group actions to put those changes in place, to the individual actions to spur group change.



My Societal Goal:

Necessary legal changes

Actions by Groups

Actions by individuals (including me)