# **My Dream Community Portfolio**

In this unit you have learned about communities and how they are shaped by the people that live in them. Now you will design a community of your own (a dream community). What makes a good community? What is important to you within a community? You need to think about things such as places for people to come together as well as places for fun, work, and living. Think about the types of communities: rural, suburban, and urban. You also want to think about the **climate, location,** and **environment** for your community.

#### **Directions:**

Draw a map of the places in your community. Then write a description of your community.

### **Objective**

• Design and create a community.

#### **Materials**

- Colored pencils and/or crayons
- Extra paper as needed
- Pencil and eraser
- Colored paper
- Glue

### Steps

#### Step 1:

Draw a map of your dream community. Use the map grid provided to plan and create the map of your dream community. Then draw the map on a larger piece of paper which your learning coach will give you. You may also draw the places in your community or cut out shapes from colored paper and glue them to your map.

Your community should include:

- community name
- roads
- homes, include your own
- landforms and environmental features (rivers, mountains)
- adaptations made by the community
- two places where people can have fun
- two places where people can get food
- two places where people can work
- at least three other buildings or places of your choice (such as parks, community centers, schools)

Make **symbols** for each type of place on the map. Make a map **legend** to tell about each symbol's meaning.

#### Step 2:

Write about your community using the lines provided. You will want to include things about your community's government and laws, your culture and customs, as well as what you like most about your community. Include details in your writing.

When complete, write neatly on another sheet of paper from your learning coach. Tape or glue the paper to the back of your map. Share your map and description with your learning coach.

## Step 1

Draw your community map.

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Map Legend Map Scaleinch =mile(s)							

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## Step 2

Write about your community.

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