CRITICAL SYSTEMS FRAMEWORK

WEALTH & POWER
Inequality and injustice that results from the disproportion of power or access to resources, often in the form of racial disparities.

PROPERTY & LAND
Property and Land symbolizes the access that members of certain communities have to wealth and power or control and ownership.

GEOGRAPHY
How and where people live as a result of the balance of wealth and power.

INSTITUTIONS
Institutions are the enforcer of systems. They are composed of actors who implement rules and regulate processes and procedures.

RULES, POLICIES, & PROCEDURES
Rules are created by institutions to protect the interests of certain populations or other institutions. They also govern conduct, action, and procedures as it relates to access to information, land, or expression of ideas/values.

RACE & CULTURE
Values placed on characteristics such as skin color, language, religion, and customs that create norms and influence how a system operates.

NARRATIVES
Interpretation of the present through stories and messages that contribute to public beliefs about certain issues, populations, and places.

HISTORY
Individual events that show trends in conduct, action, and decision making. The interpretation of these events legitimizes processes and claims.

WEALTH & POWER
Who's at the table.
Rules and policies affecting your community.
Decision makers about issues affecting your community.
What the system says about your issues and your community.
Key events & decisions that shape here & now.
What has changed over time.
What has stayed the same.

PROPERTY & LAND
Rules and policies affecting your community.
How they are decided.
What interests they serve.

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