The Systems-Thinking Toolbox:
Causal Loop Diagrams

This toolbox was developed by a BC SUPPORT Unit Methods Clusters project, *"Systems-Thinking Tools for Evidence-Informed Planning."* For more information, visit: https://methodsclusters.ca/ktis/systems-thinking-tools/

Training Videos

0. Playlist of all 9 videos *(approx. 1hr total)*

1. Introduction to Systems Thinking *(7 mins)*

2. Group Model Building *(5 mins)*

3. Reference Mode: Defining the Problem *(6 mins)*

4. Variables *(4 mins)*

5. Connection Circles *(4 mins)*

6. CLD 101 *(7 mins)*

7. Modelling session *(7 mins)*

8. The action ideas *(13 mins)*

9. Vensim Tutorial *(6 mins)*

Supporting Resources

1. Connection Circles from the Case Study
Connection circles created by participants in the case study.

2. CLD from the Case Study
Causal Loop Diagram created by participants in the case study.

3. [Action items from the Case Study](#)
Action items that participants in the case study created based on the leverage points and CLD that they created.

4. [PowerPoint slides from Case Study modelling session](#)
PowerPoint slides used in the case study group model building session.
They can be adapted for your own session.

5. [Agenda from modelling session](#)
Agenda used for the case study group model building session.
This can be adapted for your own session.

6. [Scriptopedia](#)
This website contains detailed scripts that have been used for previous group model building projects.
You can download the scripts and adapt them to your own projects.

7. [Adapted script for the Group Model Building (GMB) session](#)
This was the script that was used for the case study GMB session.
It was adapted from the scripts available on Scriptopedia.

8. [Meadows: leverage points](#)
This website from Donnela Meadows contains descriptions of different types of leverage points in a system that can be used as intervention points for program planning.

9. [Book: Hovmand, P.S. (2014) Community Based System Dynamics.](#)
This book contains a detailed process for doing system dynamics with community groups written by an expert in this field.