



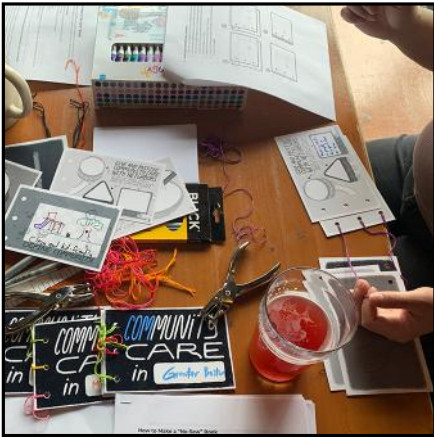
COMMUNITY CARE

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Community Care Books
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Art and Community Engagement

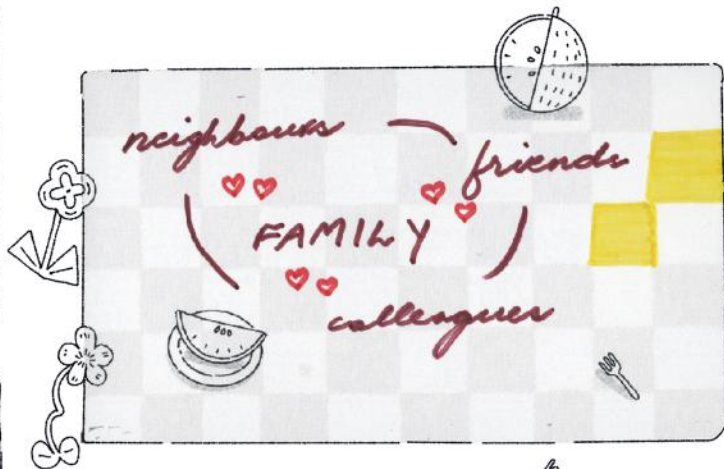
How can artmaking be a tool to understand community needs?

This workshop series used bookmaking to gather residents of the Greater Malden AANHPI Community in a collective effort to reflect upon and re-imagine their communities and see what resources people need to live happily and fully.

Each book page prompts participants about community care. This zine will highlight some of our responses!

Define Community





Defining community means identifying the people, resources, and energy that surrounds someone. Community might include friends, family, classmates, colleagues, neighbors, shops, third spaces, food, and activities that ground you in a place.

Define Care



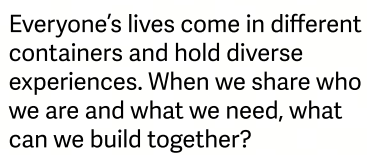
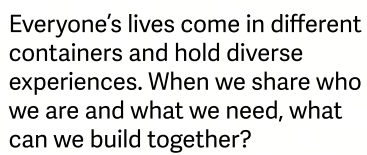


Defining care means defining what actions make someone feel seen and heard. Community can give care and someone can give care to themselves. Care creates a sense of belonging and safety, and it's important to define how much care someone receives and gives on a daily basis.

Giving and Receiving



Recognizing others' ideas of community and care helps people not only build empathy, but identify how people can share resources.



Collective Care





When we imagine a collective vision, how can we pool resources to make visions in long-term goals?

Book workshops and zine by Yuko Okabe and organized by the Greater Malden Asian American Community Coalition.

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