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*"It takes a village to raise a child... it takes a community to build a village"*

**Many Thanks** to all those that have come out to our Think Tanks over the last three weeks. We have had a great turnout each week and have even had folks participating online from the Kootenays, California and Costa Rica! We have also had two dogs join us at one session! We've discussed the look of the website, the design of the village and what sort of power we will use. We've talked about alternative building materials like cob, mud and tires. We've brainstormed about crops to grow and how to make the village inclusive to the local community despite the wall that will need to encircle the village. Each discussion has sparked other topics as everything is so interconnected.

**The Next Think Tank** is this Thursday (April 24th) and will be about the Digital World-how to find our niche online and how to attract support through the web. On May 2nd we will discuss Marketing the project. You don't have to be an expert on any topic, as everyone has ideas and some related life experience in each of the topics in one way or another.

**Children helping Children** we are very excited to announce a special Think Tank being organized by 13 year old, Holly Day. This special session is for young people only and will be a forum to brainstorm about important subjects related to the children. If you are a young person or know one that might be interested in attending, please contact us directly. This Think Tank will take place May 16th.

### **What do you Love (or Hate)?**

As we work on developing our website, we are looking for inspiration from other sites. Do you have a site that you love? Or one that you hate? Send us the link and tell us what you like or dislike about the specific site and we'll check it out.

**Project Update** ~there are many folks that did not make it to our March Rhizome Event in which we shared our findings from our recent trip to Guatemala. We've been asked if we could hold another for these people. Stay tuned as we determine a new date and location for this.

***Muchas Gracias to everyone for all your enthusiastic support!***

## RSVP:

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### Think Tank Photos



Tim & Surrinder @eco-sustainability



Gin & Heather @ Design & Construction



Chris & Ilana (via Skype) @ Web Design

### Upcoming Think Tanks

all begin @7pm except Kids for Kids  
Please RSVP for details

Digital Presence~April 24th

Marketing~May 2nd

Fundraising~May 8th

Kids for Kids~May 16th 6:30pm

Education~May 21st

Psychological~May 29th

Financial Sustainability~June 5th