

What are the 40 Assets?

Search Institute has identified the following building blocks of healthy development—known as Developmental Assets—that help young children grow up healthy, caring, and responsible. They are broken down into the following categories. Follow the links for more info!

External Assets



[Support](#)

1. [Family Support](#)
2. [Positive Family Communication](#)
3. [Other Adult Relationships](#)
4. [Caring Neighborhood](#)
5. [Caring School Climate](#)
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[Empowerment](#)

7. [Community Values Youth](#)
8. [Youth as Resources](#)
9. [Service to Others](#)
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[Boundaries and Expectations](#)

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12. [School Boundaries](#)
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14. [Adult Role Models](#)
15. [Positive Peer Influence](#)

16. [High Expectations](#)



[Constructive Use of Time](#)

- 17. [Creative Activities](#)
- 18. [Youth Programs](#)
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INTERNAL ASSETS



[Commitment to Learning](#)

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- 23. [Homework](#)
- 24. [Bonding to School](#)
- 25. [Reading for Pleasure](#)



[Positive Values](#)

- 26. [Caring](#)
- 27. [Equality and Social Justice](#)
- 28. [Integrity](#)
- 29. [Honesty](#)
- 30. [Responsibility](#)
- 31. [Restraint](#)



[Social Competencies](#)

- 32. [Planning and Decision Making](#)
- 33. [Interpersonal Competence](#)
- 34. [Cultural Competence](#)
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- 36. [Peaceful Conflict Resolution](#)



[Positive Identity](#)

- 37. [Personal Power](#)
- 38. [Self-Esteem](#)
- 39. [Sense of Purpose](#)
- 40. [Positive View of Personal Future](#)