

The graphic features a light blue grid background with teal curtains on the left and right. A central cluster of colorful sticky notes contains the following text: 'local food', 'local economy', 'ideas', 'resilient', 'just society', 'climate', 'thriving', 'zero waste', and 'action'. Below these notes, the text '2020 ANNUAL PLANNING' is displayed in a large, bold, black font. To the right, the 'TRANSITION TOWN Media' logo is shown, featuring a stylized leaf design and the tagline 'A BRIGHTER FUTURE'. Below the logo, the text 'Presented by: ALEISA MYLES 02.01.20' is written.



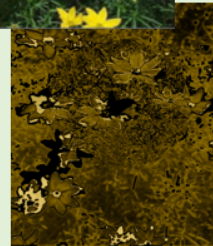
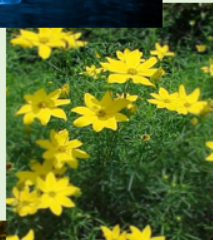
Why is it called the "Transition" Movement?

people ask what transition is all about
what is the movement

transition is what we are all in this world,
including environment, economy, equity, and energy

Environment

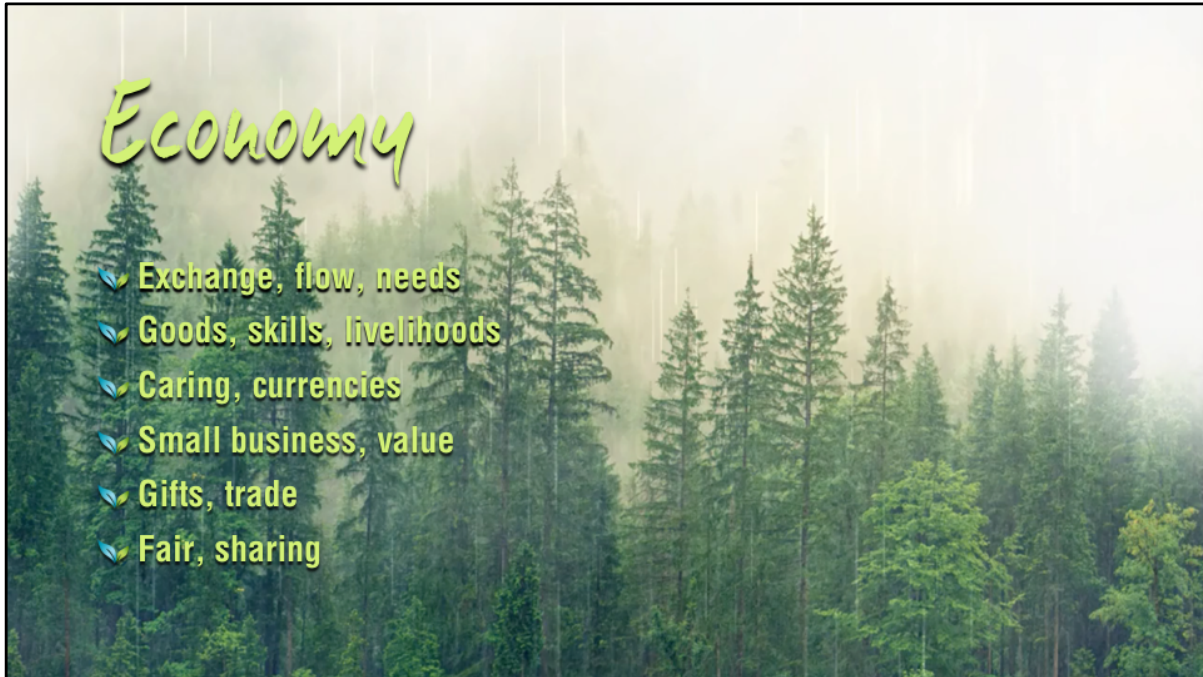
- ✓ Air, water, soil, food
- ✓ Ecosystems
- ✓ Temperatures
- ✓ Species
- ✓ Oceans
- ✓ Wilderness
- ✓ Web of life



it's hard to sense directly how climate change is affecting us—and affecting others because in many ways we in this community are buffered we are further from the frontlines some might notice fewer birds chirping in the trees some might see changes in bee colonies or notice less stability and more extremes in the weather we do not have to relocate to another village today to find water because it still flows from the tap changes that are gradual may be harder to grasp or to fathom to sense an immediacy and yet not be able to know exactly when and where and how these changes will continue to be felt here and this is perhaps a confusing and uncertain aspect of living in this time

climate is changing we used to hear more about peak oil now young people are especially galvanizing the climate movement young people more active and mobilized than ever

so things are changing in the environment and people's responses to it



absurdity of ticker tape market indexes and economic jargon, juxtaposed with the wealth gaps, wage slavery, and economic exploitation that need only to be seen to be recognized—the rich get richer, the poor are getting poorer, the perversity of dissociating money/profit from people and planet

the idea of economic "growth"

based on interest

based on depersonalization and commodification

the dominant economic campaign that is a house of cards

we are not supposed to name—like the emperor's new clothes

it is falling apart, inevitable, unsustainable

experimentation

local currencies, timebanks

indigenous economies before market capitalism

sharing economy, free stores, Fair Trade

online, bitcoin

rainforest as an example of a well-functioning economy

Equity



emotional labor; standpoint, social location
recognize and address privilege and/or what seems to be building from ancient roots
(e.g., permaculture practices)
decolonization; social structures are giving way—good because they're based in
imperialist/colonialist/oppressive frameworks
operating from within a privileged perspective; one definition of privilege, distance
and disconnection from

and/or
numbness to some part of our world's; collective struggle/pain/need
this is all much more a part of social consciousness today and no quick fix to reconcile
massive inequities with the knowing of the equal worth and value of each person
babies and children and youths
people marginalized on the basis of so many social locations
the ways we all tend to absorb the biases of the broader culture—toward ourselves
and/or others

Energy

✔ Conservation

✔ Renewable, clean

✔ Innovation, sun, wind

✔ Generation, distribution



serious transition to renewables
wind and solar cheaper
coal and natural gas less and less yield
pipelines
fires
carbon
fossil fuels
emissions
runaway rate

look beyond band-aid solutions or single-issue campaign—
though these are important pieces, many systems more volatile

TRANSITION IS WHAT WE'RE ALL IN.

*In this movement, our focus
is to be intentional about the transition*

HOW DO WE FOCUS THIS INTENTION?

Four ways...

1. Transformation

✔ We need

More than protesting, resisting, blocking...
More than reforming, improving, adjusting...

✔ We reach

into what our minds and hearts
know is possible...
and seek to bring it into being

IF
YOU
WANT
PEACE
WORK
FOR
JUSTICE



more than resisting/blocking and amelioration/reform.
Transition Towns focus on positive actions: we're
not about fixing problems or tearing down things that aren't working.
We take the broader view that the problems we're having are all
interrelated and what needs to be fixed is the worldview that created
them. What we do, then, is to try to transform that worldview and to
create real alternatives to it



TRANSFORM

2. Heart, Hands, & Head

- ✔ Heart: being
- ✔ Hands: doing
- ✔ Head: thinking, sensing

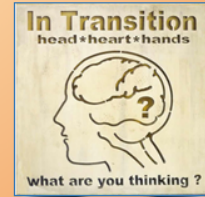
HEART



HANDS



HEAD



3. Permaculture Principles

- ✔ **Interconnectedness**
- ✔ **There is no “away”**
- ✔ **Living, self-organizing ecosystems**



interconnectedness; there is no "away" living, self-organizing ecosystems



Scale: Community-level
Structure: Interconnected international network
network (int'l; US; regional)



heard of a transitional object
transitional space

(psychoanalytic ideas, from D. W. Winnicott)
between omnipotence (anything we could imagine and wish for) and
objective reality
where is that 'just right' space
the edge

slower to learn, though more time with material comforts
the experiences of scarcity, powerlessness, separation etc are plentiful
we do not take for granted that it must be this way
privilege
shared humanity
each of us
endless and boundless
practical limits

“Are We There Yet?”

WE WILL KNOW...



*When the heart is
warm and loving*

*When the hands choose
without reluctance*

*When the head brings our
senses in tune with the rest*

what is the movement all about
underground roots infrastructure of consciousness
templates
nothing too small to matter
find and remember
with hands and hearts and heads
what is life giving
we will know the moments when we are there
because we will feel it in our souls
what is worth the time
when the heart is warm and loving
when the hands choose without reluctance
when the head brings our senses in tune with the rest

