

Aim of our concept

The societal challenges of today cannot be solved by governmental institutions alone. The local governments are looking for new ways of collaborating with citizens, where the aim is a participatory society. People need to start to take responsibility for each other because the government cannot cope with the rising problems. We believe therefore people in

their local community need to start to see each other differently. The main thing that we have forgotten to do is that we can ask for help from our neighbors. We believe that for the societal transformation the government can not change this from one day to the other. We have to start learning again that it can be a good thing to take responsibility for each other.



Community

To get this societal change we believe that ideas of collaboration should start in small communities. Asking for help is difficult enough, therefore it should stay personal.



Local "dark networks"

We see an opportunity for so called dark networks. Content is only accessible locally. Only when connected to this network data about this community can be accessed



Scalability

The community should grow slow, if the community gets too big it starts to become impersonal again. We believe it should be no more than one city area (1km in radius)



Connection

Multiple dark networks can grow towards each other, over time multiple buildings can become connected.



Sharing skills

The network will only give you access to one platform, where people from the neighborhood can be viewed. Mainly focused on sharing skills and activities. Profiles of active community members can be viewed to make new connections possible also without the need for help.



Physical aspect

The barrier for asking for help should be as low as possible, therefore we envision a physical space wherein people can ask for help relatively anonymously.



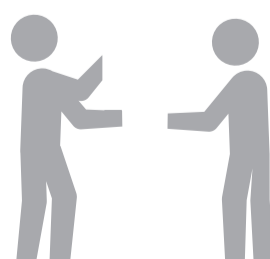
Contact

Through this physical space people can get in contact with each other. Through this contact people from the local community offer each other help.



Thanks

We offer the community the possibility to show appreciation for the given help. Through skill card, you can redeem a certain task or action from the person you helped. We believe everybody has a valuable skill that can be shared more within the community. We hope that asking for help becomes easier when returning the favor becomes easier to manage.



Collaboration

Through helping each other with small things we hope to change the mindset of people that is needed to be able to cope with today's challenges.