

Foundation For Our Future

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The **Foundation for Our Future** works so “that corporations, civic organizations, schools, institutions of higher education and governmental organizations around the globe champion the notion of *Shaping Our Future*, by providing leadership in their communities that will help their young adults proactively embrace and engage in their futures in positive and constructive ways.”

The **Foundation for Our Future** has developed and piloted a set of methodologies and tools to help young adults visualize the possible worlds in which the unthinkable, the unimaginable, and the unpredictable actually come to pass. Their process has been packaged into a comprehensive program called [Shaping Our Future](#) which includes a Facilitator’s Guide, Videos, and reproducible Activity Templates designed by Grove Associates. The Facilitator’s Guide contains actual lesson plans for the various steps in the process, including Purpose, Time needed, Learning outcomes, Learning objectives, and How To instructions. The materials can be used in regular classrooms or as a two-day workshop as illustrated in the video.

The **Shaping Our Future** process was developed by Sandra Burchsted, a graduate of the Studies of the Future program at UH-Clear Lake (UHCL), and Jack Byrne, co-founder of the Foundation for Our Future. The development was funded by Christian Crews, also a graduate of the UHCL program, who was a program director at the Waitt Family Foundation at the time.

Facilitator's Guide (PDF)	
Introductory material	Pages 1-10
Key questions, Driving forces, Futures wheel	Pages 11-39
Scenarios, Action plans, Facilitation tools	Pages 40-54
Templates	Pages 55-65
Video – Two-day workshop for high school students	24MB .wmv file 69MB .mov file 155MB .mov file
Templates (PowerPoint)	Main Key Questions STEEP (Identify Driving Forces) 1 STEEP (Identify Driving Forces) 2 Gauging Uncertainty, Prioritize Driving Forces) Future Wheel Four Futures (Develop Scenarios) Future Times Shaping Our Future Action Plan