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DIMENSIONS OF WELLBEING

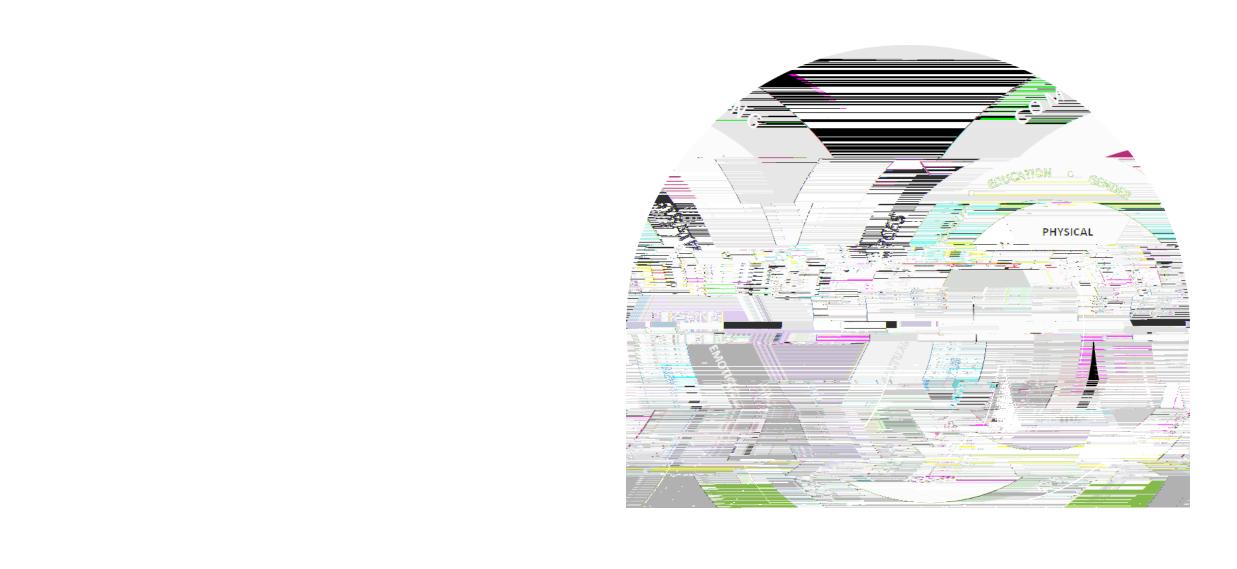
The Andrews University Wellbeing Model builds on six interdependent dimensions of wellness described by the leading National Wellness Institute.

Two key wellbeing practices are suggested for each dimension. These evidence-based lifestyle behaviors represent the personal effort required to achieve and maintain optimal wellbeing.



12 Key Wellbeing Practices

PHYSICAL	SPIRITUAL	INTELLECTUAL
VITALITY Stay Active Optimize your strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness; sleep 7-9 hours a night.	PROXIMITY Grow Closer Clarify your beliefs and put them into action; engage in spiritual support and practices.	



8 Factors That Can Affect Wellbeing

AGE

Every age and life stage poses unique challenges that may necessitate behavioral adjustments in order to positively impact wellbeing.

DISABILITY

Disabilities need not diminish wellbeing.
However, providing access and inclusion for persons with disabilities is essential to their quality of life.

RACE/ ETHNICITY

People of all racial and ethnic backgrounds flourish best in communities free of racism, bias and inequality, preventing gaps in life opportunities, healthcare access, and life expectancy.

RELIGION / SPIRITUALITY

Participation in personal religious practices and healthy faith communities is highly correlated with wellbeing, while religious and spiritual abuse can lead to negative outcomes.

EDUCATION

Education is critical to personal, social and economic development and is a strong indicator of greater wellbeing and longevity.

GENDER

Each gender may experience different wellbeing benefits and risks, influenced by physical characteristics as well as social and cultural factors.

SEXUALITY

Sexual intimacy contributes to wellbeing as part of a mutually loving marriage. Persons with questions or differences related to sexual orientation thrive best in a safe, caring community.

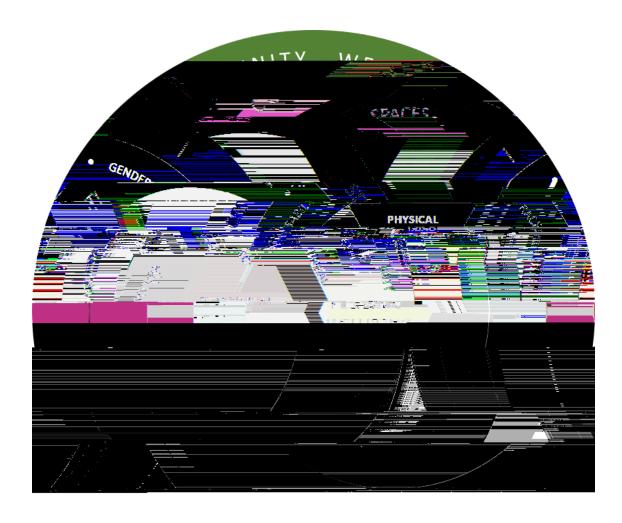
SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS

Wellbeing, even in developed countries, increases with socioeconomic status. These gains seem to result from greater levels of personal autonomy rather than mere increases in income.

ASSETS FOR WELLBEING

Plans to bolster wellbeing should give attention to improving community assets, such as sources, spaces, strategies, supports and systems.

Asset-focused interventions complement efforts to help individuals lead healthier, happier and more meaningful lives, which in turn builds greater community wellbeing.



5 Ways to Improve Wellbeing

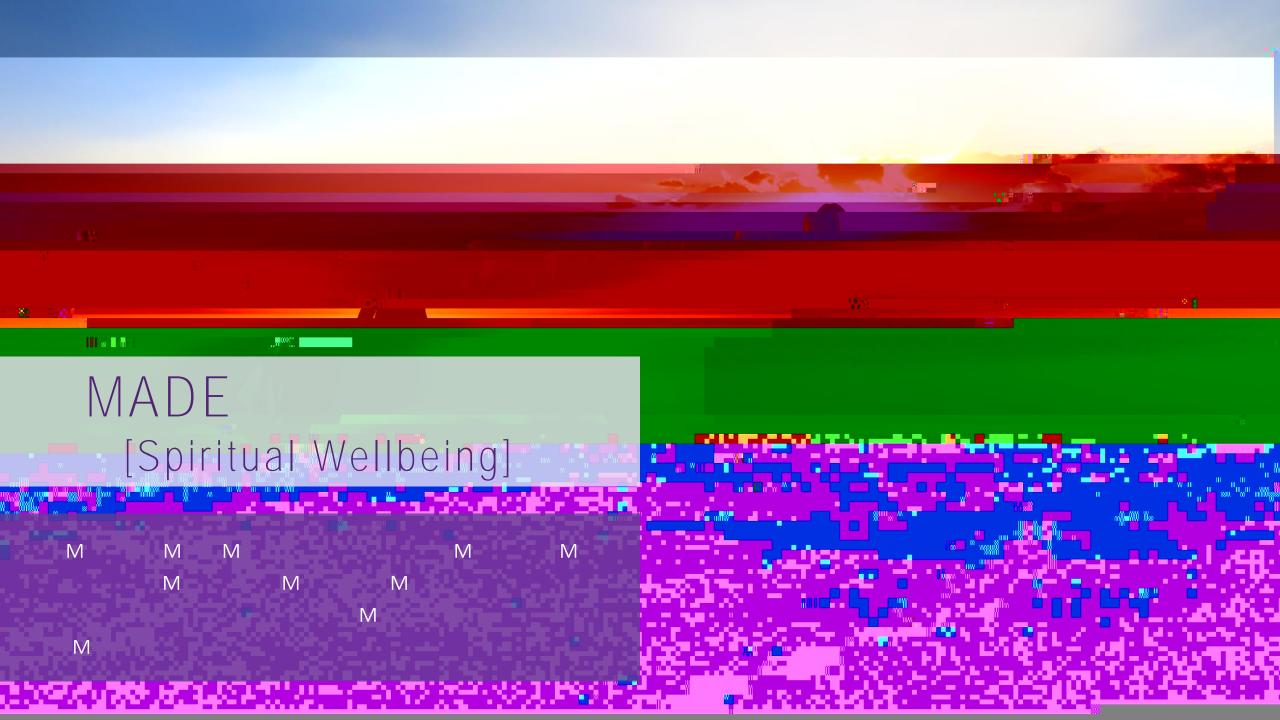
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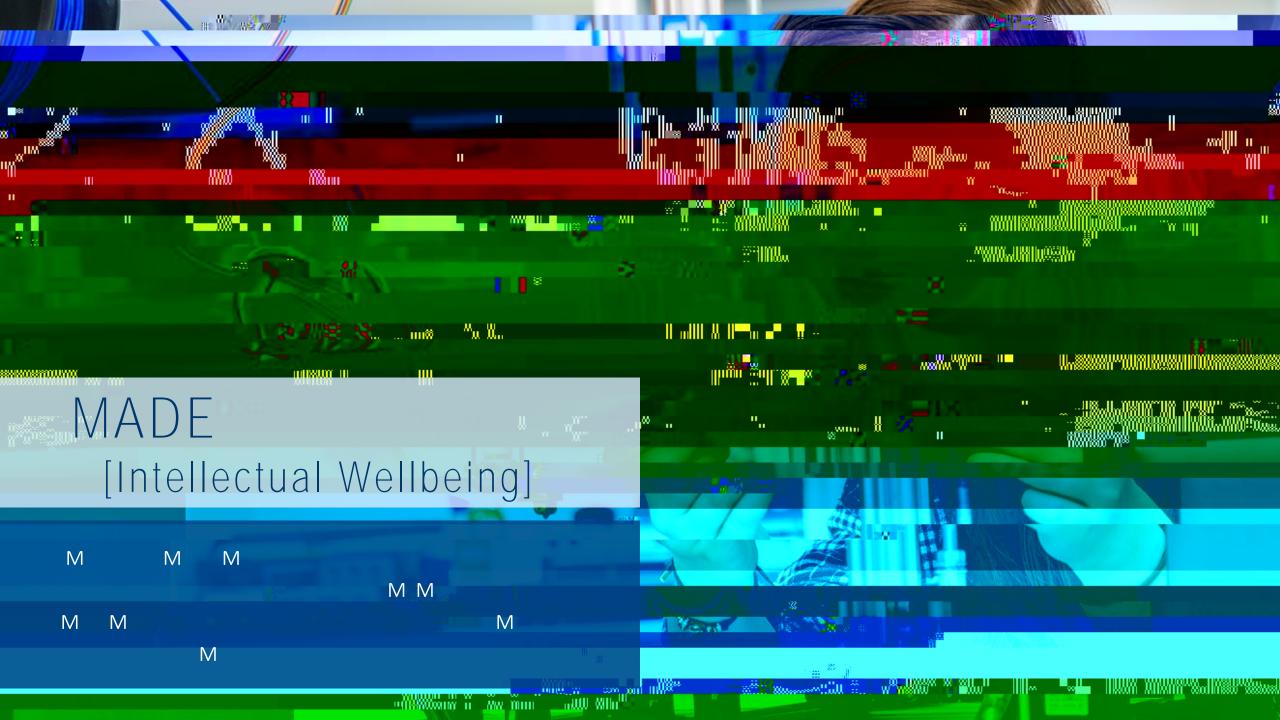
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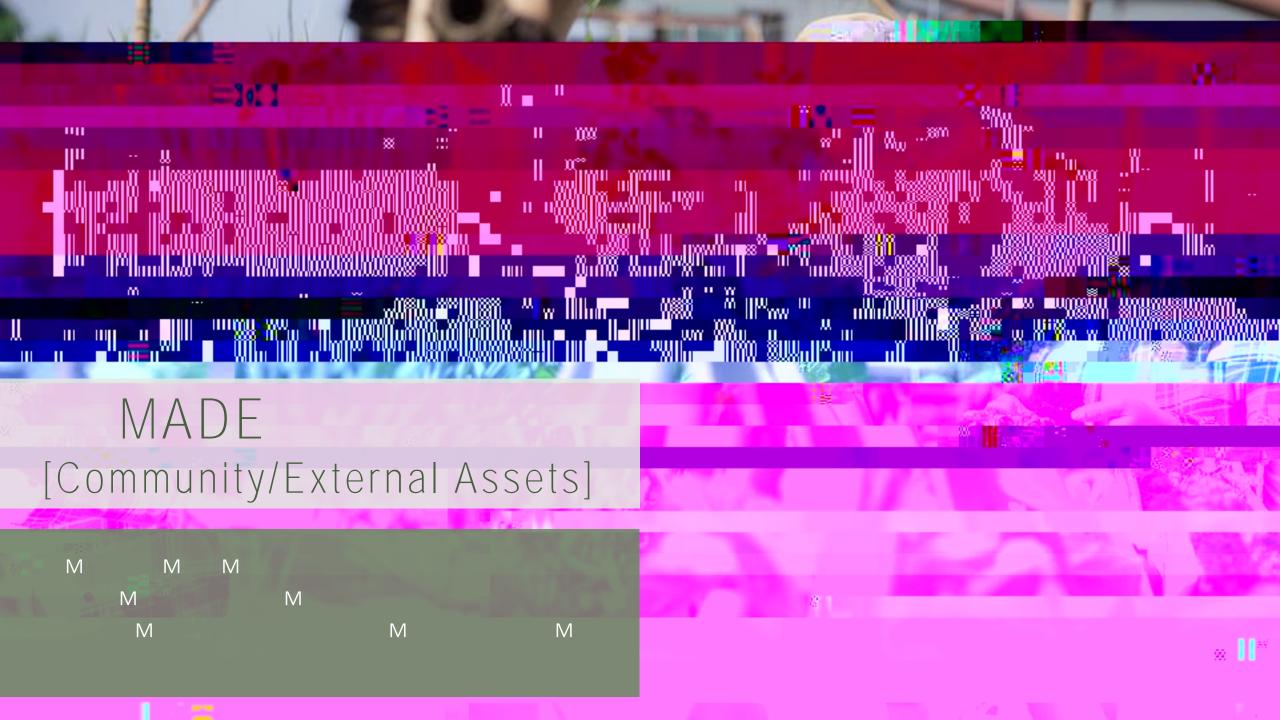












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