



# Stewardship Indicators

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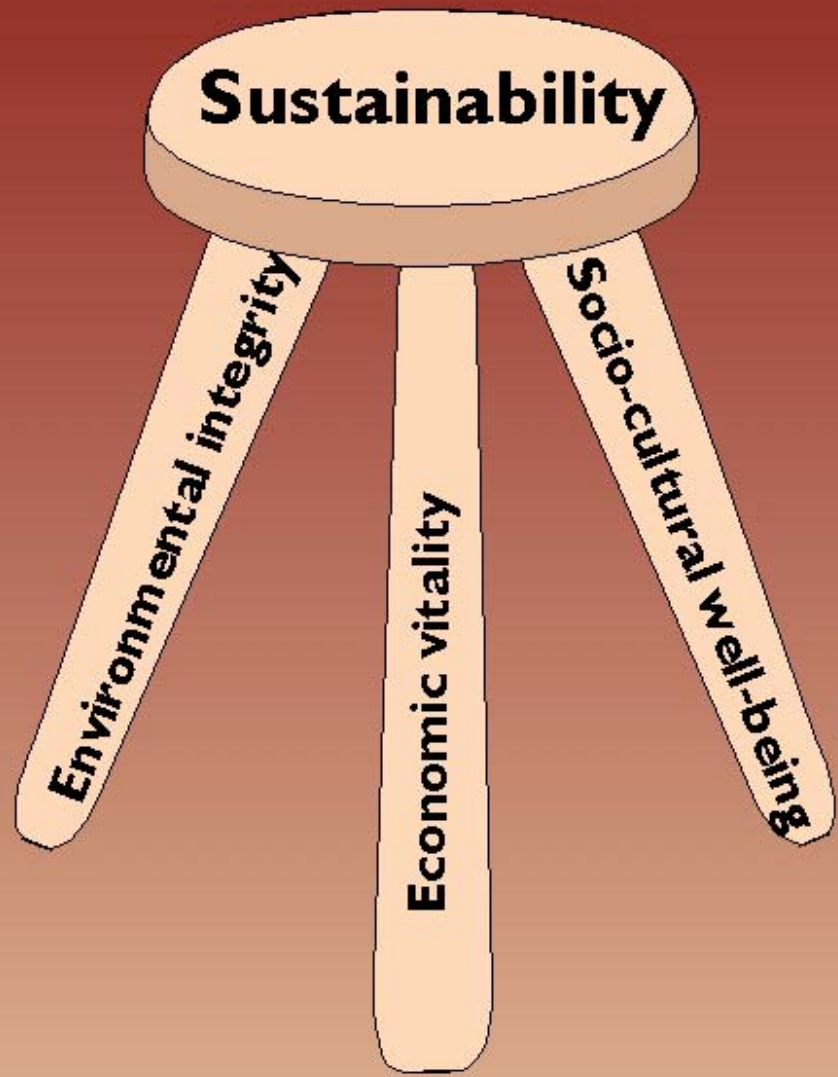
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# SUSTAINABILITY

... to maintain the environment, the economy, and the community in a healthy state indefinitely





# LANDSCAPES

A scenic view of a city skyline across a large body of water. In the foreground, a white swan swims on the blue water. The middle ground shows a rocky shoreline with some greenery and a few buildings. The background features a dense urban skyline with various high-rise buildings under a clear blue sky.

... all living organisms  
and their physical  
surroundings -- the land  
community





We abuse land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us.



When we see land as a **community** to which we **belong**, we may begin to use it with **love** and **respect**.



**Aldo Leopold**





# SYSTEM INTEGRITY

. . . the capacity of ecosystems to renew themselves and function in ways that ensure sustainability





# Ecological Stewardship Spiral

- Unsustainable Systems
- Stewardship Strategies
- Modifications to the Landscape
- Enhanced Ecosystem Integrity
- Increased Ecosystem Benefits and Services
- Revised Stewardship Strategies

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# A Sustainable Great Lakes Ecosystem







**The Local Partnership**





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## Partnerships

- Capacities of sustainable landscape partnerships
- Organizational richness of sustainable landscape partnerships



A photograph of a modern, white, two-story building with a flat roof. A person is standing on the roof. The building has large windows and is supported by several white columns. The text "The Local Partnership" is overlaid on the upper part of the building, and "Local Constituencies for Stewardship" is overlaid on the lower part. The building is set on a green lawn under a blue sky with white clouds.

**The Local Partnership**

**Local Constituencies for Stewardship**





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## Local Constituencies

- Citizen/Community place based stewardship activities



**Government Initiatives, Programs, and Resources**

**The Local Partnership**

**Local Constituencies for Stewardship**

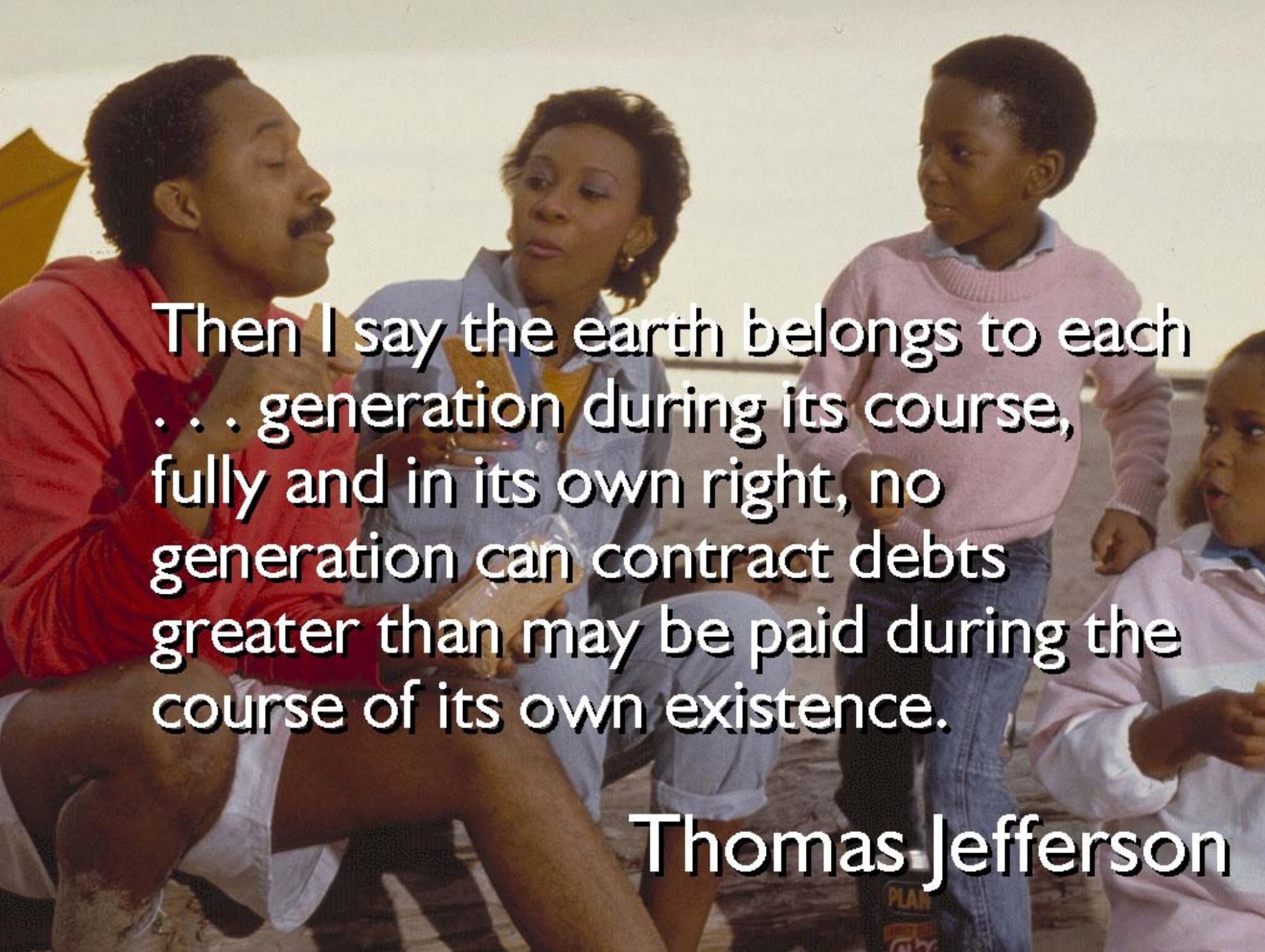


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## Governments

- Integration of ecosystem management principles across landscapes
- Integration of sustainability principles across landscapes





Then I say the earth belongs to each  
... generation during its course,  
fully and in its own right, no  
generation can contract debts  
greater than may be paid during the  
course of its own existence.

Thomas Jefferson