

Using Restorative Principles to Build a Community Conversation

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Reciprocity

The mechanism that achieves stability in all human relationships is doing favors for one another

It works best when:

Interactions are frequent

Favors are visible

Favors are more valued by the recipient than they cost the giver

There is a history

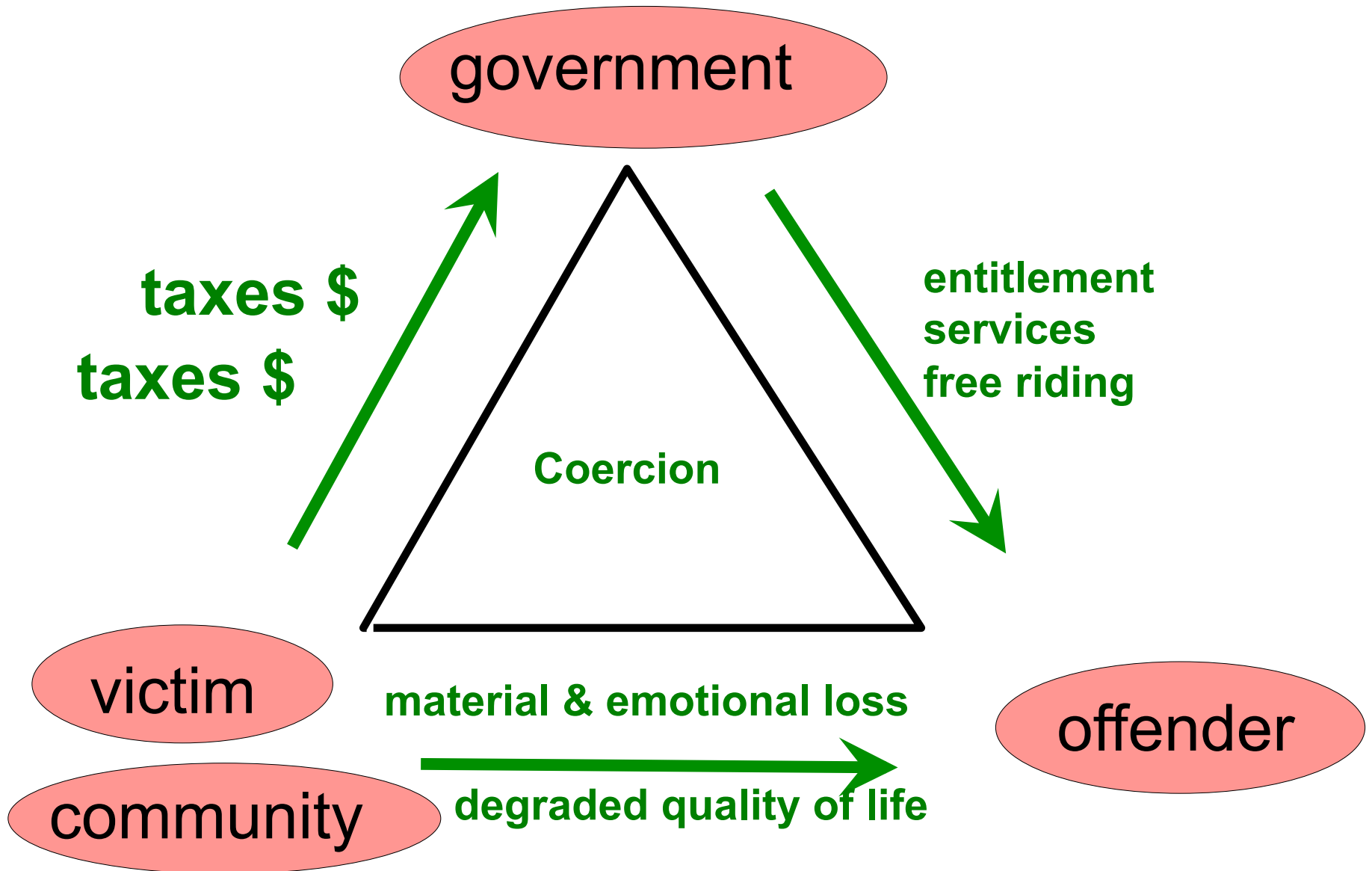
There is a mechanism to detect cheating

after Richard Axelrod, The Roots of Cooperation

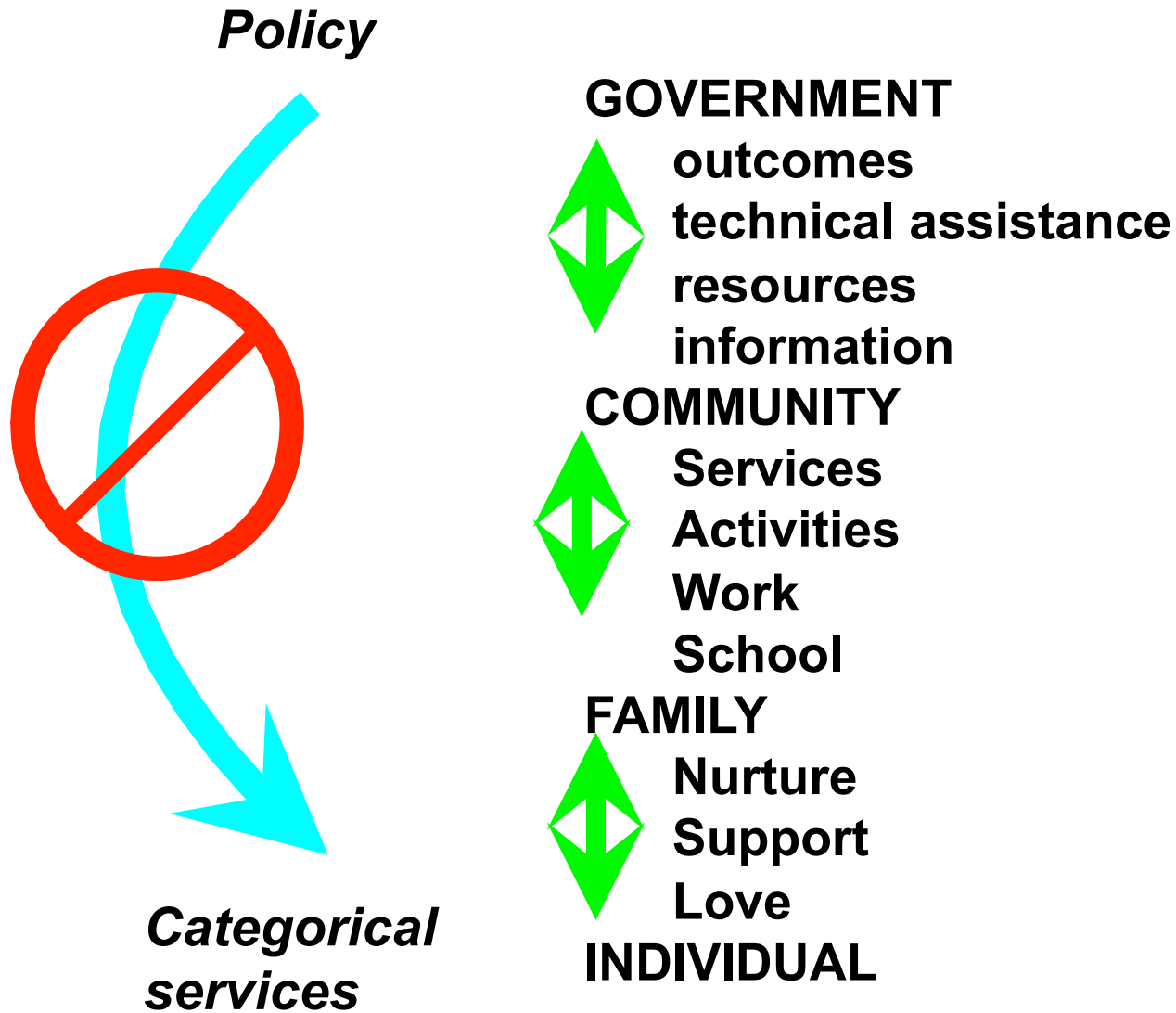
Learning to Live with Hope

- Hope creates action
- Moments of connection – rather than large scale; we can all plan moments
- Hope grows – like in a Petri dish – under the right growing conditions
- Our job is to create the space for good dialogue (the right question/the right conversation)

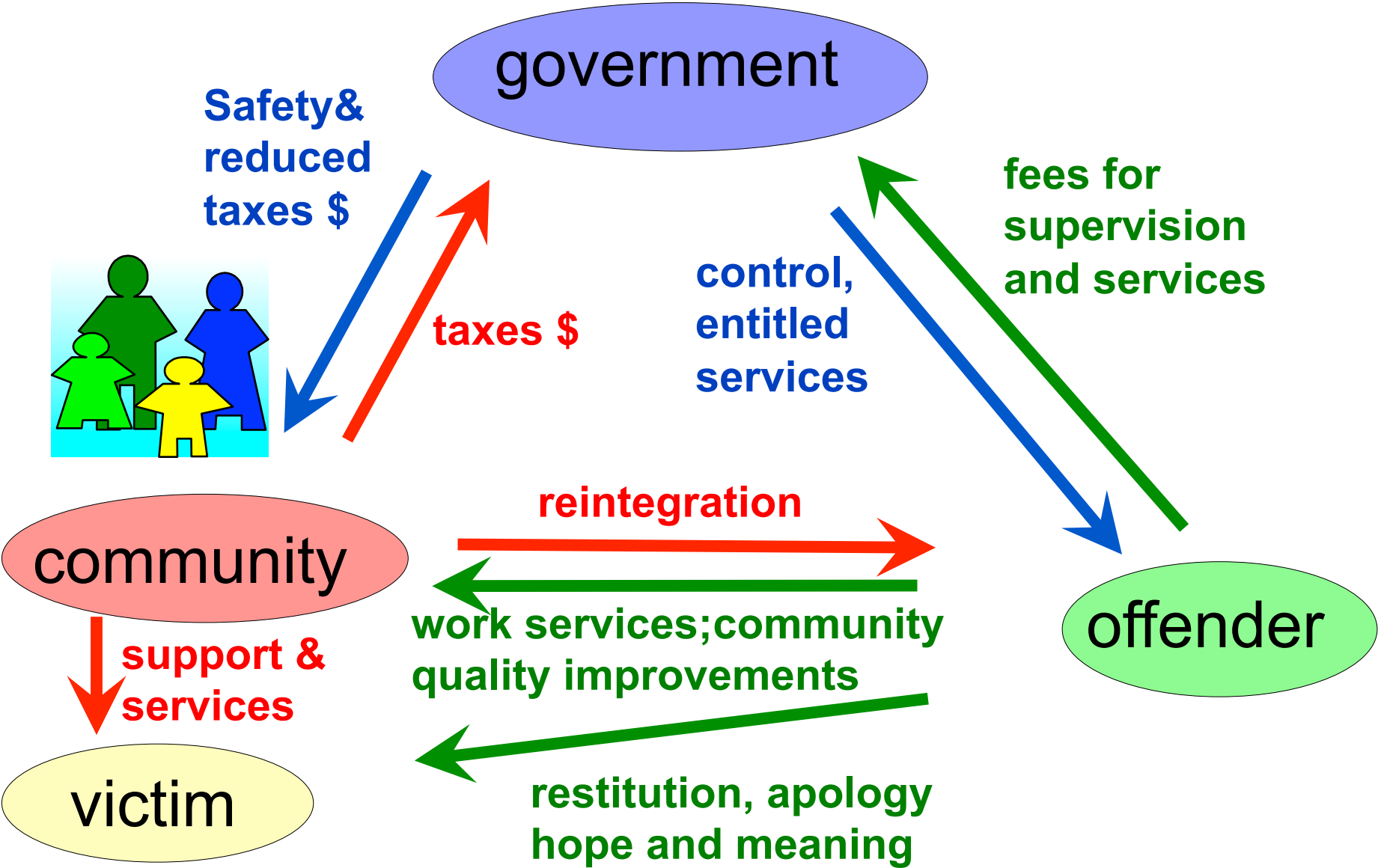
The Negative Exchange



Changing the Paradigm



The Positive Exchange



Community Responsibilities

Reintegration

celebrate the competence, reward the responsibility, provide opportunity.

become competent, add value, teach others what you've learned.

Reconciliation

acknowledge the response, facilitate the exchange

acknowledge the harm, take responsibility,

provide opportunities for amends, activities for restoration

say you're sorry, make amends, clean the other windows

provide the forum, hear the victim, identify the harm done

repair the damage, fix the broken, return the stolen, clean up the mess.

Violator Responsibilities

Restoration

Reparation

DART 2.0

- Community Conversation meeting together since Nov. 2013 when Bess O'Brien's film "Hungry Heart" was released.
- Gov. Peter Shumlin state of the State address Jan. 2014 announced his resolve to do something about the opiate crisis in Vermont.

Dart meeting 9-28-15

- Gloucester, MA Police Department
- Angel Program
- Check out KATV.org for more DART meetings

Ice Cream Social













