

Demonstrate Your Work

Now that you've planned and executed your service project, the next step is to share your work with your community. Use the following questions as a guide:

What would you like your audience to take away from your presentation? Do you want them to learn about and understand the topic or need? Are you asking people to do something / take action after your presentation, or your call to action? Are you asking them to join your project? To start their own project? What are your goals for your audience?

How will you demonstrate your work?

First, choose a method. You could:

- Create a video or digital presentation (PowerPoint, Prezi, Glogster).
- Create a storybook, story board, or digital story about your project.
- Design a scrapbook or photo collage.
- Write a poem or play based on your project.
- Create a tri-fold board: see page 54 for a template.

Or you could choose your own way of presenting your work.

Second, gather the materials you will need to showcase your project. Try making a checklist or work plan like the one you made during the planning stage on page 31.

Where will you demonstrate your work?

Think about the place you will use for your presentation. How large is it? Can people get there easily? Is there seating available?

Make a list of supplies your location provides, and decide which materials you still need and how you will get those materials. For example, if you plan to hold a formal presentation in your school cafeteria, you might have chairs, but you might not have a projector for a PowerPoint.

When will you demonstrate your work?

When will you have the opportunity to present your research? Is there a specific occasion you have in mind? How much time will you need to prepare a presentation?

Who is your audience?

Who do you want to attend your demonstration? Reflect on your goals for the future. Who can help you accomplish these goals? Who has a stake in your project? Remember to invite all the people who helped you—community partners, experts, volunteers, etc.

Why do you think you should demonstrate your work?

Reflect on your role in your community. How has it changed? How have you grown during your project? Where can you go from here?

Finally, think about **sustainability**. Who will carry on your work after your project is finished? How will you, your school, and your community continue to impact your community? How will you continue the movement?