

Educational Sessions for Strategic Property Planning

SESSION 5

Examples of Perspectives for Multi-Perspective Evaluations

Religious institutes engaged in a strategic property planning process can use a multiperspective approach to evaluate possibilities, options and alternatives from perspectives the institute considers most important. While these perspectives can encompass specific values, places or items the institute treasures, typically, three categories of evaluation perspectives as shown below will be most useful to an institute.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION
Mission- perspective evaluation	 Formally embeds the institute's mission in the process of considering options and alternatives that arise from a strategic property planning process Uses core questions drawn from the institute's mission statement to establish a lens through which the institute assesses and evaluates how each option and alternative connects to and aligns with mission
Eco-sustainability perspective evaluation	 Incorporates a religious institute's commitment to care of earth and all creation, including as expressed in formal statements or stances, such as a land ethic Assesses the extent to which each option and alternative is consistent with institute values, corporate statements or stances regarding the environment and eco-sustainability
Business perspective evaluation	 Focuses attention on the extent to which options and alternatives are practical and realistic for the institute Incorporates financial considerations, human resource considerations (such as commitments required from institute members), potential risks and sustainability in the future

