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Having the money to purchase goods and services.

EMOTIONAL

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Being able to choose and control emotional responses and persevere through difficult situations without harmful coping strategies.

MENTAL

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Having the mental ability and education to manage daily life.

SPIRITUAL

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Believing in a divine purpose, value system, and guidance.

PHYSICAL

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Having physical health and mobility.

SUPPORT SYSTEMS

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Having friends, family, and other caregivers in times of need.

RELATIONSHIPS & ROLE MODELS

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Having frequent contact with mature, stable people.

KNOWLEDGE OF MIDDLE CLASS RULES

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Understanding unspoken middle class cues, norms, and values.

TIME

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Having enough time to work, rest, develop, connect with God and others, and care for self and others.

John

You are partnered with John, a 44 year-old man. John is married and has a 20 year-old daughter attending Jr. College. He also has a daughter in 9th grade. John's wife is involved in a direct/multi-level marketing company but has not been successful. John has told her that she either needs to put in more effort or get a more traditional job. She says it is his responsibility to provide for the family and she is raising their daughters. John has a job that gives him between 20 and 30 hours per week but it's not paying the bills. He picks up as many hours as possible so that, as he says, his daughter can focus on college. John mentions in all your meetings that he wants to serve at the church in order to "give back" and sometimes you see him reading his Bible on a bench there for long periods.

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Neighbors in Need

Stephanie

You are partnered with Stephanie, a 62 year-old woman who has been watching our church services online. Her husband is disabled and she has supported them for years as a paralegal. Stephanie deals with anxiety and depression and has been taking a lot of time off from work because of it. Her supervisor told her they might be laying people off and Stephanie believes that is the manager's way of trying to get her to quit. She has been with firm for a long time and has no savings due to her husband's medical bills. Today, Stephanie had trouble joining a Zoom meeting for work and calls you in a panic because she's convinced this will get her fired.

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Ana

You are partnered with Ana, a 53 year-old woman. Ana recently moved to Murrieta from El Monte where she did cleaning at a hospital. Her husband had abused her for years and after her youngest child moved out she came to Murrieta to live with her Aunt who is almost 80. Ana takes care of the aunt and is hoping to be paid as an in-home caregiver but is having trouble navigating how to do that because her English reading level is low. She lives for free at her aunt's house but does all the household tasks and does not believe she should ever say no since her aunt has been so helpful to her.

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Jacob

You are partnered with Jacob, a 27 year-old man. Jacob doesn't have a fixed address but "couch surfs" or occasionally sleeps outside. Jacob receives TANF and food stamps. He is friends with another young man who is very involved in the church and he recommended Jacob seek benevolence help. Jacob is dyslexic and never graduated high school. He has family locally but says they stopped talking to him and he's not sure why. Jacob is very friendly and often makes you laugh.

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