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**5Rs Handout**

The purpose of the 5Rs Framework is to identify strengths and weaknesses in an existing system and illuminate systems-strengthening solutions.

**The 5Rs are:**

1. the **RESULTS**/outcomes we use to measure progress;

2. the set of stakeholders or actors with a **ROLE** in the system;

3. the **RESOURCES** available within the system;

5. the **RULES**(formal and informal) that shape these roles, resources and relationships.

4. the most critical **RELATIONSHIPS**between those with a role in the system;

**Directions:**

Please spend about 10 minutes filling out this handout on your own. After 10 minutes, we will be sharing our responses.

**Context:** We’re going to use the 5Rs to describe system around your project. What is your understanding of the project you are working on?

**Results:** What are the important “bigger picture” results that we would like to see if the system that is shaping this challenge is strengthened? Put another way, what outcomes would we see if we addressed this challenge?

**Resources:** What are the resources, or “inputs” available to address the challenge you are working on in your local system?

**Roles:** Who are the people or groups involved in the local system that is shaping the challenge?

**Relationships:** What are the important relationships between people or groups in the system?

**Rules:**  What are the rules governing what happens in the local system? (Rules assign roles, affect relationships, and shape access to resources).