# HONING IN ON WHAT TO MEASURE

#### **Process Outcomes:**

What a <u>program/activity</u> will **do**, **achieve**, or **accomplish** <u>for its own improvement</u>

measures process

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

What <u>people</u> will **know, feel,** or **be able to do** <u>as a result of participation</u>

> measures impact

Begin with the End in Mind: Identify Program/Service Goals				
Name of Program/Service				

#### Hone in On Specifics

When do you expect results?
Who do you expect to be affected?
What capacity/skill will be developed?

- Do/know/value/demonstrate?
- How is achievement demonstrated?

### **Use Bloom's Taxonomy to Identify Learning Levels**

Developing learning outcomes can be simplified by choosing verbs that reflect the level and nature of learning you expect to result from the program or service you are assessing.

Taxonomy Level	Definition	Process Verbs
Creating Evaluating	The individual can put elements together to form a functional whole, create a new product or point of view.  The individual can make judgments and justify decisions.	Assemble, generate, construct, design, develop, formulate, rearrange, rewrite, organize, devise.  Appraise, argue, defend, judge, select, support, evaluate, debate, measure, test, verify.
Analyzing	The individual can distinguish between parts, how they relate to each other, and to the overall structure and purpose.	Compare, contrast, criticize, differentiate, discriminate, question, classify, distinguish, experiment.
Applying	The individual can use information in a new way.	Demonstrate, dramatize, interpret, solve, use, illustrate, convert, discover, discuss, prepare.
Understanding	The individual can construct meaning from oral, written, and graphic messages.	Interpret, exemplify, classify, summarize, infer, compare, explain, paraphrase, discuss.
Remembering	The individual can recognize and recall relevant knowledge from long-term memory.	Define, duplicate, list, memorize, repeat, identify, produce.



## **Writing Outcomes**

Program/Service	Constituent Group	Bloom's Taxonomy Verb	Content/Material/Idea
As a result of		will be able to	
As a result of		will be able to	
As a result of		will be able to	

