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# Development of a collaborative community

– aiming to create a town of  
*fukushi* (happiness/well-being) –

# Self Introduction and Brief Personal History

## **SATOH Tsutomu**

- Member of Naraha Town Council
- Social worker at Lily-en (a special nursing care home for the elderly)
- Representative of Naranoha (a voluntary group for revitalization and community development of Naraha Town)
- Caregiver at Sherpa (a non-profit organization to support the disabled)
- Representative of “social ANBEI” (a voluntary group to address and disseminate local issues)

A resident of Naraha Town in Futaba County, Fukushima Prefecture, Satoh graduated from Futaba High School, then moved to Tokyo to work in the food service industry. Returning to Futaba County, he started working as a caregiver. The 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and nuclear power plant accident occurred while he was working as a social worker and chief caregiver at a day service center in Naraha Town. He evacuated with the service center to Chiba Prefecture. There, to promote understanding of the current situation in Fukushima, he used his modest song-writing and guitar-playing skills, and participated in roundtable talks at temporary housing.

From 2012 to 2020, Satoh worked as a social worker at a special nursing care home for the elderly in Iwaki City. In 2014, he established Naranoha, a voluntary group to support revitalization and community development in Naraha Town. In 2020, he established another voluntary group called “social ANBEI,” which aims to address and disseminate local issues. Since 2021, he has been working as a caregiver at Sherpa, a non-profit organization supporting the disabled, and has served as a Naraha Town Council member. Since 2022, he has been working as a social worker at Lily-en, a special nursing care home for the elderly.

A scenic view of a coastline. In the foreground, there is a dense, dark green forest. In the middle ground, the ocean is visible with white waves breaking on the shore. The sky is a clear, light blue. The text is overlaid on the upper part of the image.

**Nature in Naraha.  
Unparalleled community.**

**Closely attending  
those in need of care.**





**March 11, 2011**

**A major earthquake, a tsunami, a nuclear power plant accident, radioactive contamination, and the evacuation of an entire town. Angst over an invisible menace.**



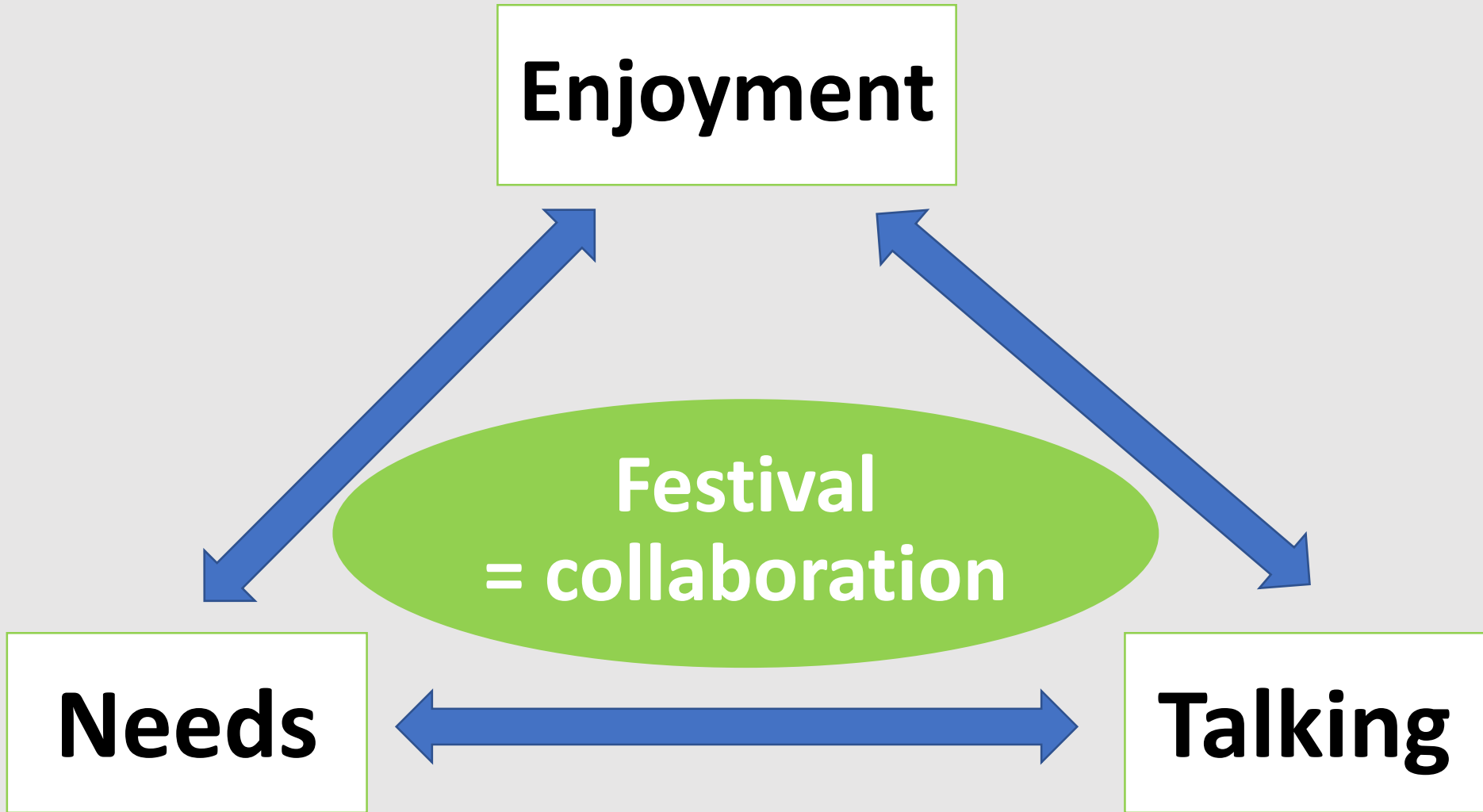




**Collapsed community.  
Human helplessness.**

Telling it like it is.







**Recurring talks on residents' needs**





To resume our festival





**Dancing together**





... and laughing together

**September 5, 2015**  
**The evacuation**  
**order for Naraha**  
**was lifted.**





**Festivals rebuilds  
community.**





# Community: A dance of recreation and re-creation

# Facing the Essence of Issues

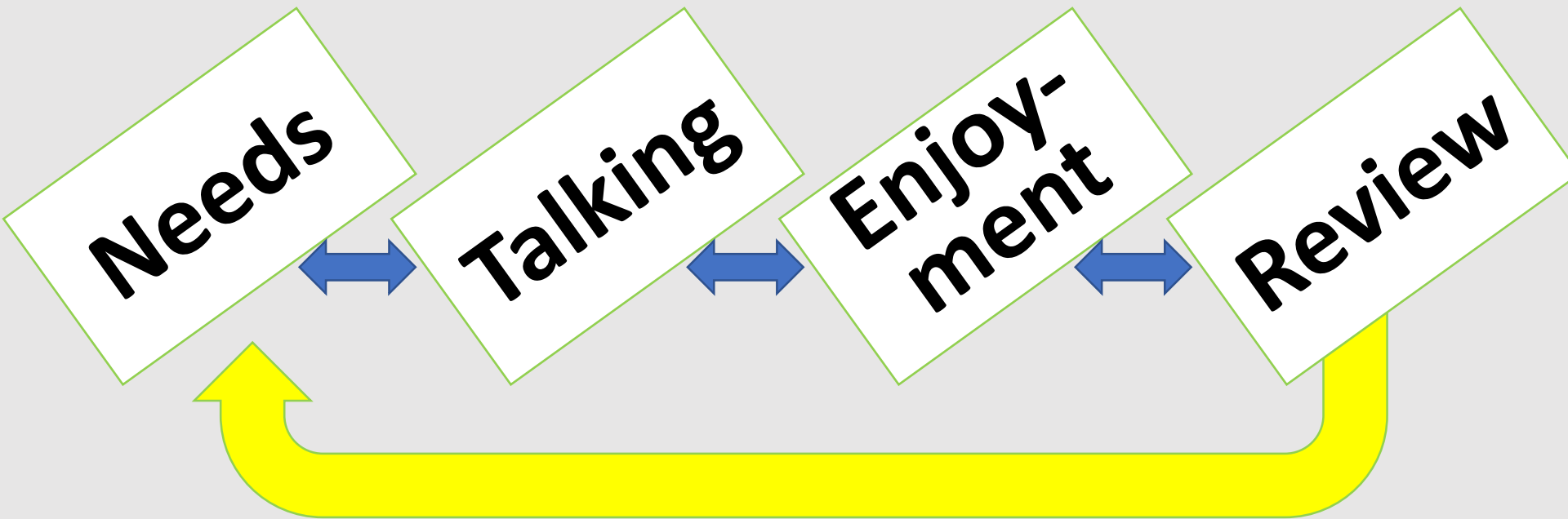
**Decommissioning, disaster prevention, the environment, solar power, childcare, aging society, population decline, lack of medical and welfare resources...**

**There are many life issues.**

**What is *fukushi*  
(happiness/well-being?)**



# Creation of a town of *fukushi*



**Collaborative Process**

A sunset scene over the ocean. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water. Two silhouetted figures are walking along the beach in the foreground. The sky is filled with scattered clouds, some catching the light of the setting sun.

*Thank you for  
your attention.*

**SATOH Tsutomu**  
**Naraha Town Council member**

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