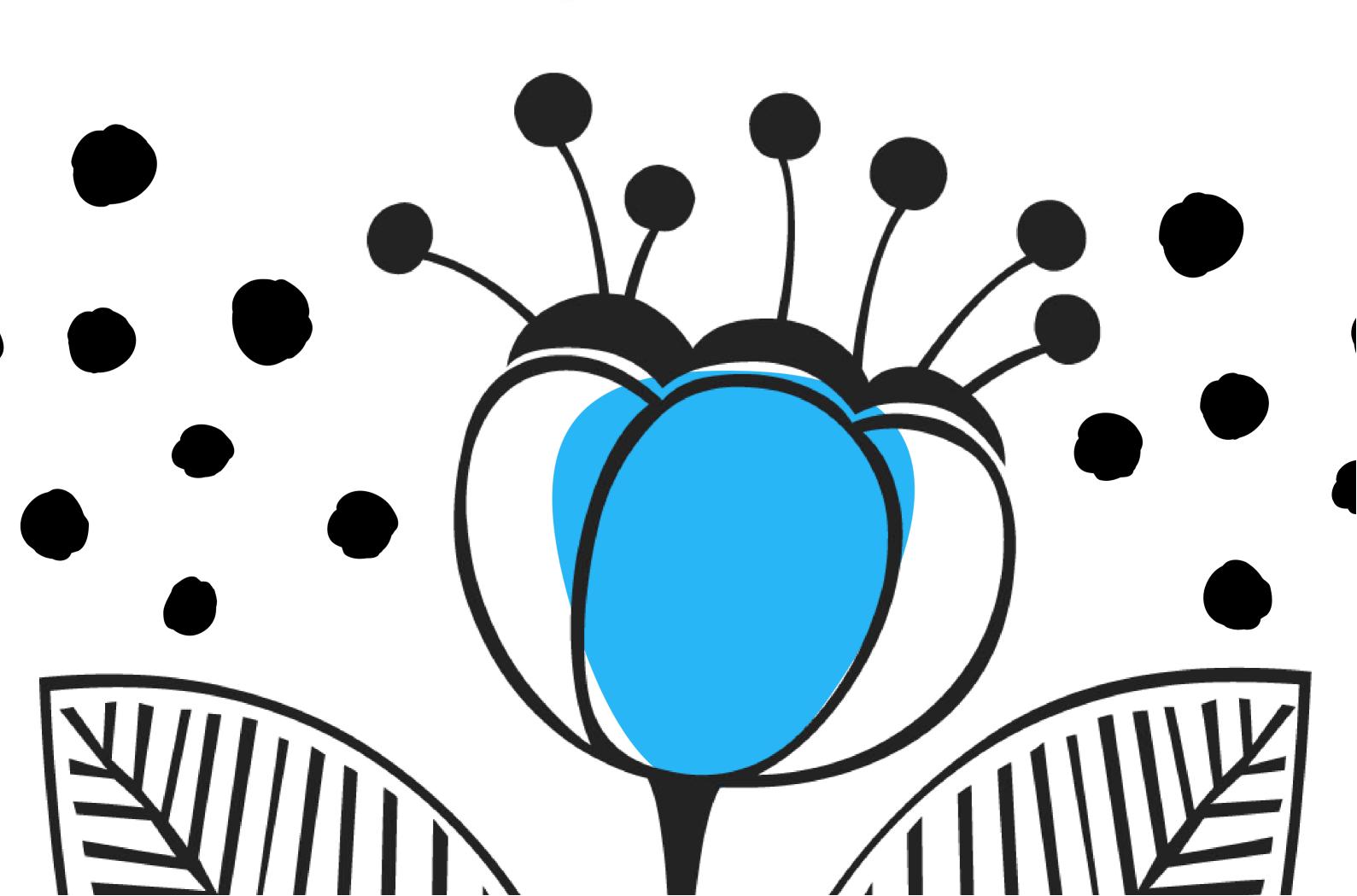
#### Using The 8 Dimensions of Wellness With the Harm Reduction Principles VOL 2



# Harm Reduction

# Keeping indiviudals alive & as healthy as possible.

A set of practical strategies involving safer use, managed use,

#### abstinence

# Built on belief, respect for and rights of people who use polysubstance.

#### National Harm Reduction Coalition 2020

### Harm Reduction Prevents:

#### Overdose

- Infectious Disease Transmission
- Improves physical, mental, and overall wellness.

Wellness is being in good physical and mental health.

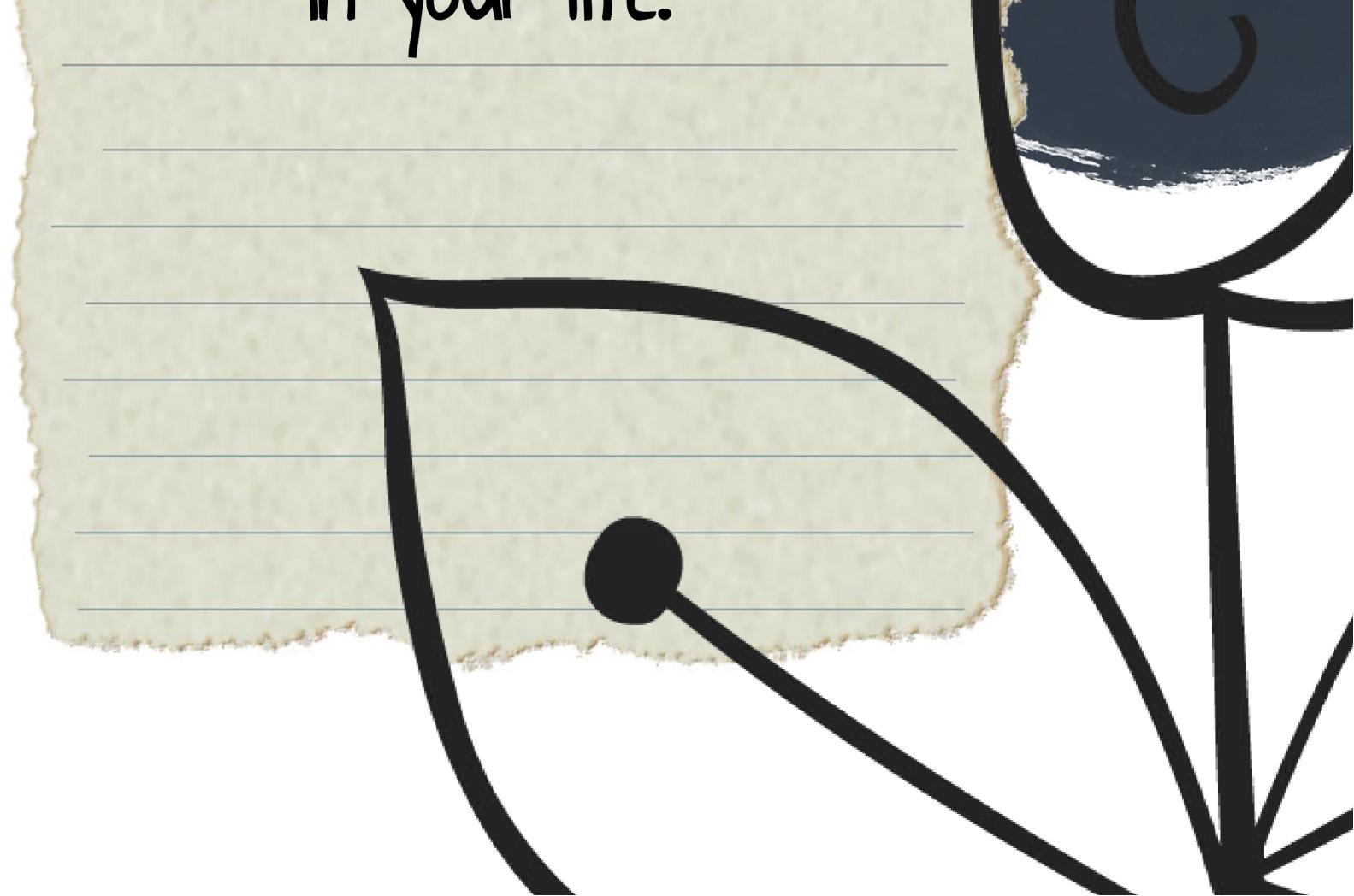


Mental and physical health are

- linked; problems in one area can
- impact the other.

#### National Harm Reduction Coalition, 2020

Remember that wellness is not the absence of illness or stress. You can still strive for wellness if you experience challenges in your life.



# The 8 Dimensions of Wellness

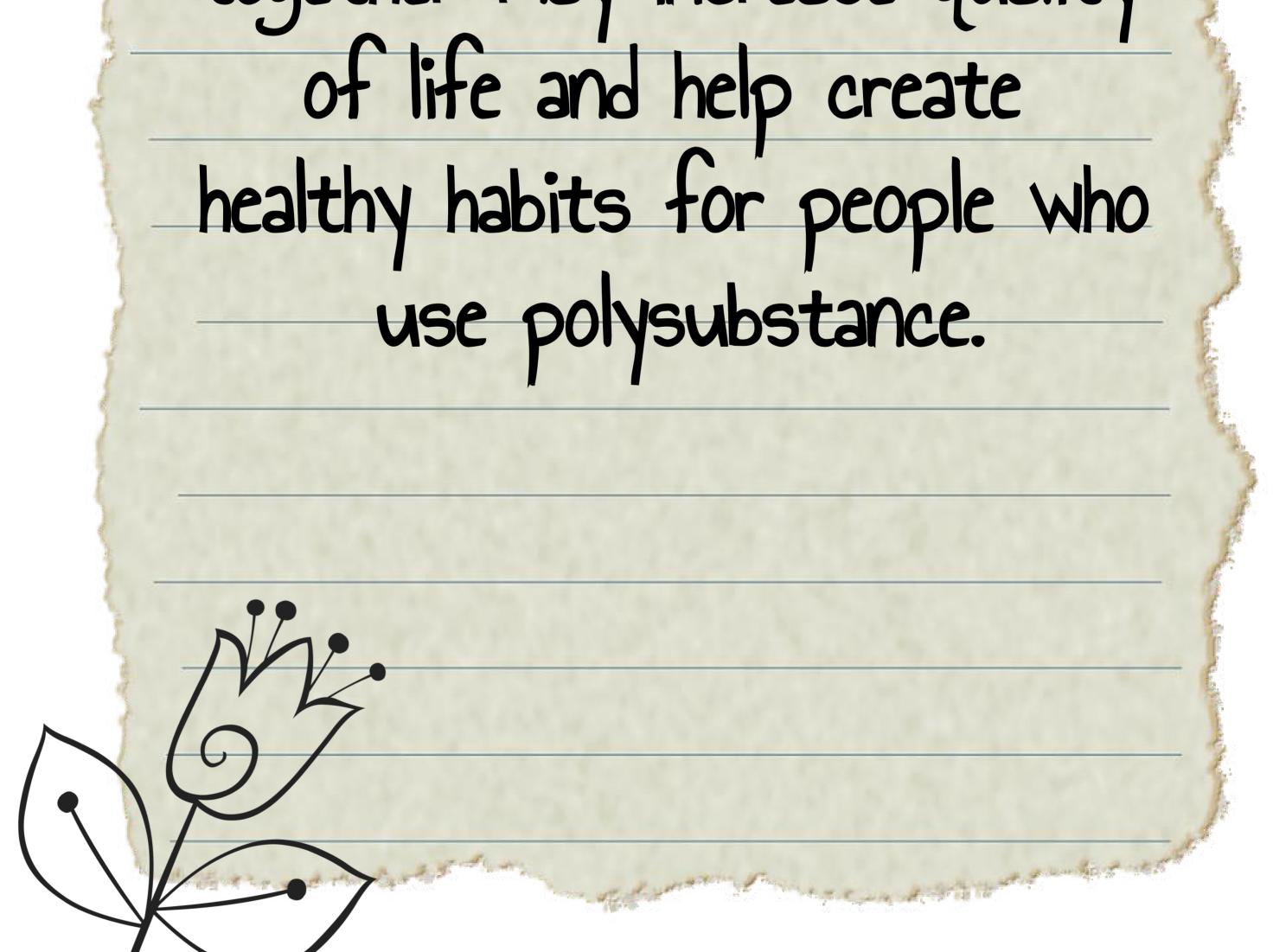
Physical, Emotional, Social, Intellectual, Occupational, Financial, Spiritual, Enviornmental



# It's natural to value each differently.

# Each dimension changes over time, depending on life events.

Using both the Harm Reduction Principles and the 8 Dimensions of Wellness together may increase quality



# Increase your quality of life by practicing;

Physical Neiness

Establishes quality of individual and community life and well-being - not necessarily stopping all polysubstance use. Recognizing the need for physical activity, healthy foods and sleep.

## Increase your quality of life by practicing:

Coping effectively with life Understanding your feelings Coping with stress Learning to utilize harm reduction

methods Understanding that "some ways of using polysubstance are clearly safer than others."

# Increase your quality of life by practicing: ntellectual Wellness Recognizing your creative abilities and finding ways to expand your skills & knowledge as well as learning and accepting that polysubstance use is part of our communities.

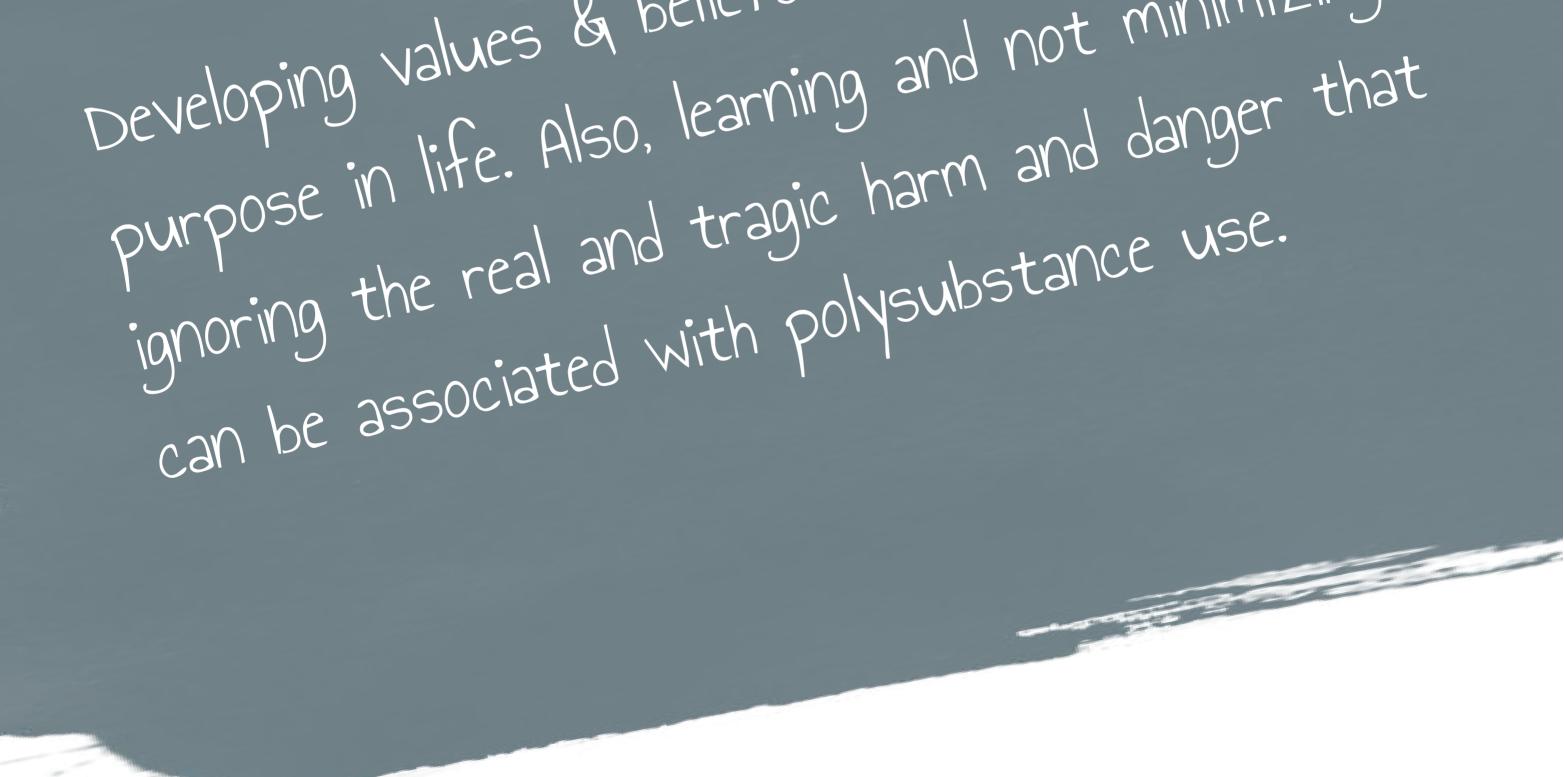
# Increase your quality of life by practicing:

Social Neiness

A sense of belonging & connecting with others in a respectful way & developing positive relationships. Recognizing the realities of peoples' vulnerability to and capacity for effectively dealing with polysubstance related harms.

#### National Harm Reduction Coalition 2020 SAMHSA, 2016

## horease your quality of life by practicing: Spiritual Wellness Spiritual Wellness Developing values & beliefs. Finding a meaning and Developing values & beliefs. Finding a meaning and purpose in life. Also, learning and not minimizing or purpose in life. Also, learning and not minimizing or



# Increase your quality of life by practicing:

Establish good health by occupying pleasant, stimulating environments that support well-being. Ensuring that people who use substance or have

# a history have a real voice in the creation of programs and policies designed to serve them.



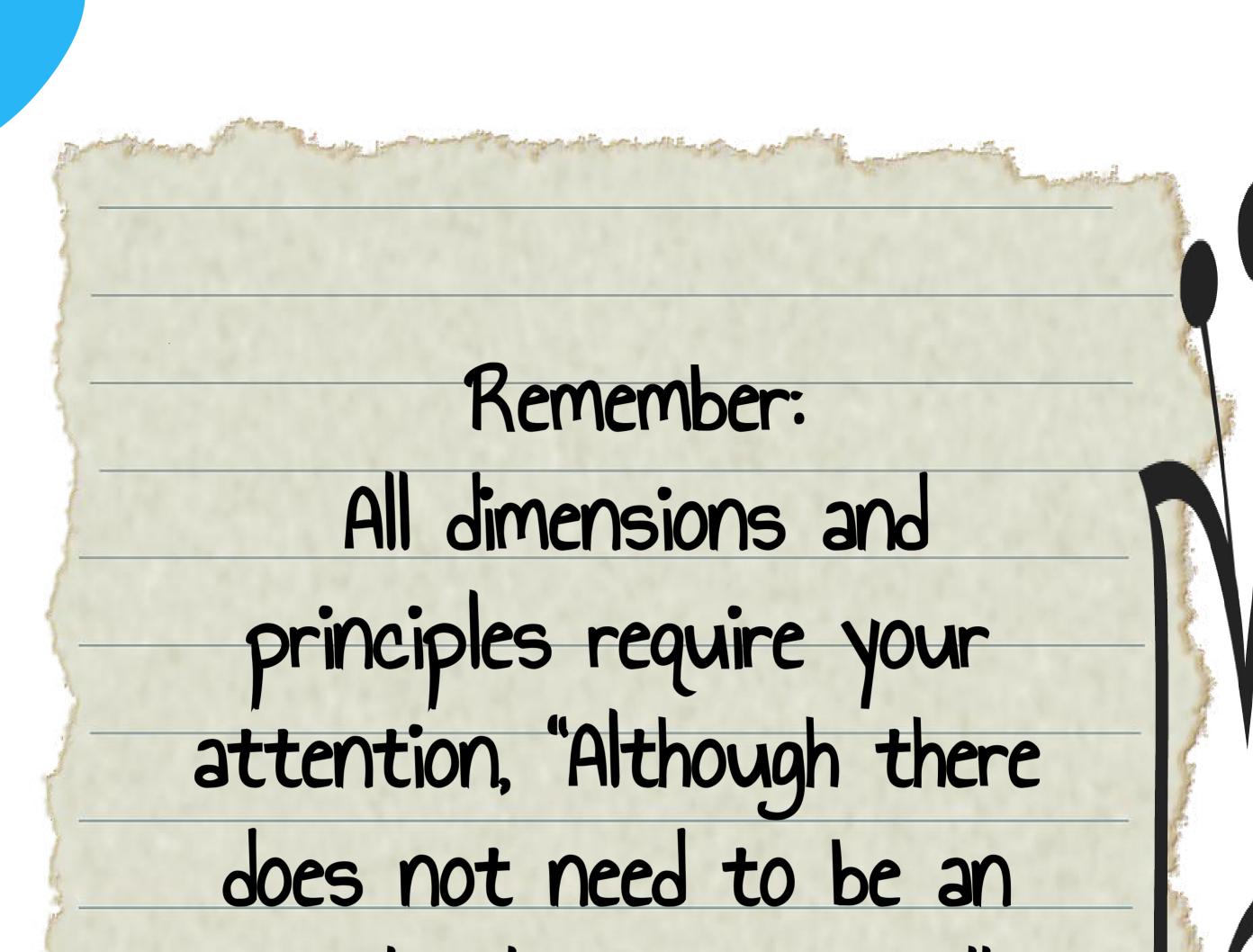
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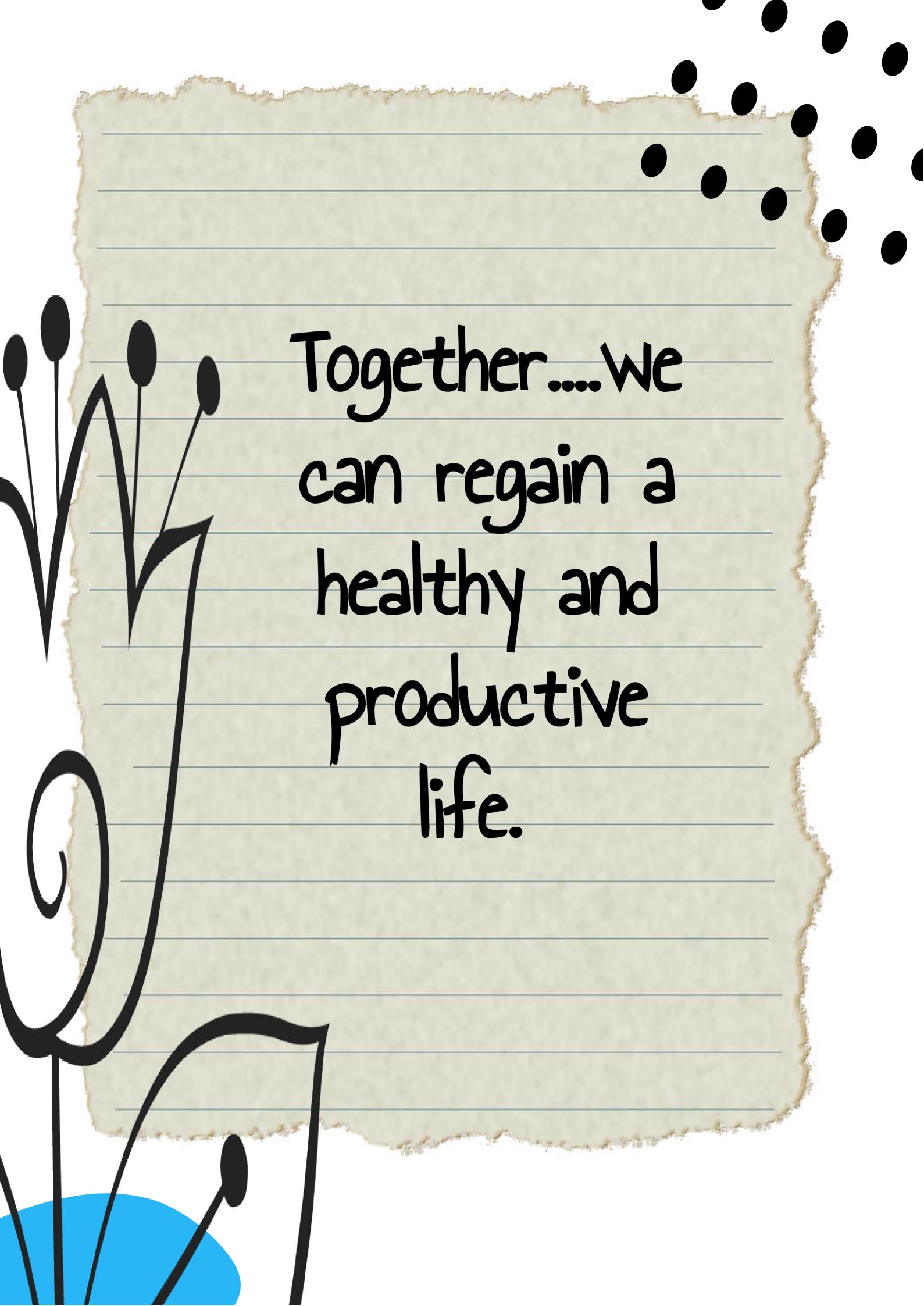
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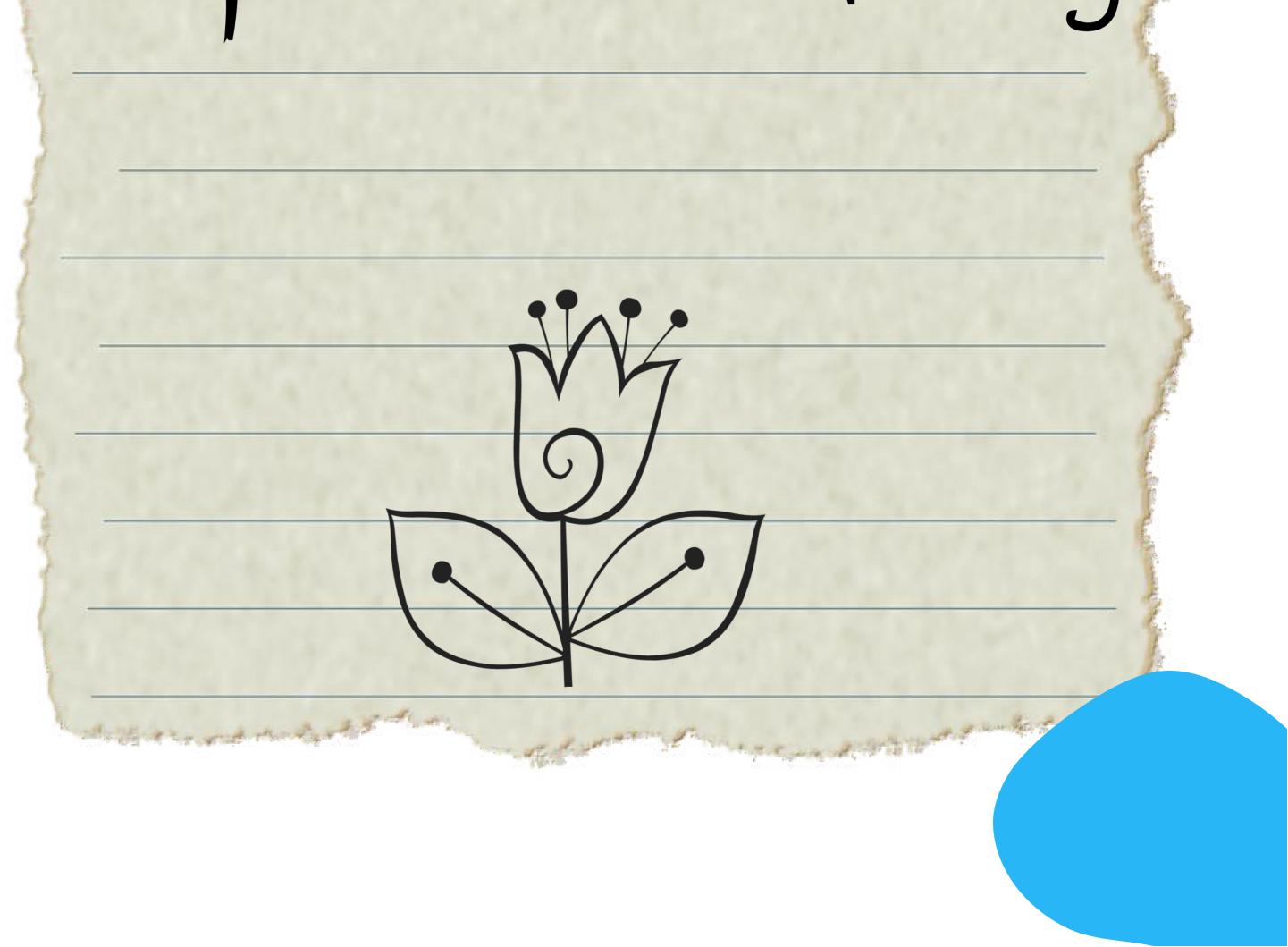
judgmental, non-coercive provision of services and resources to people who use polysubstance and the communities in which they live in order to assist them in reducing harm.



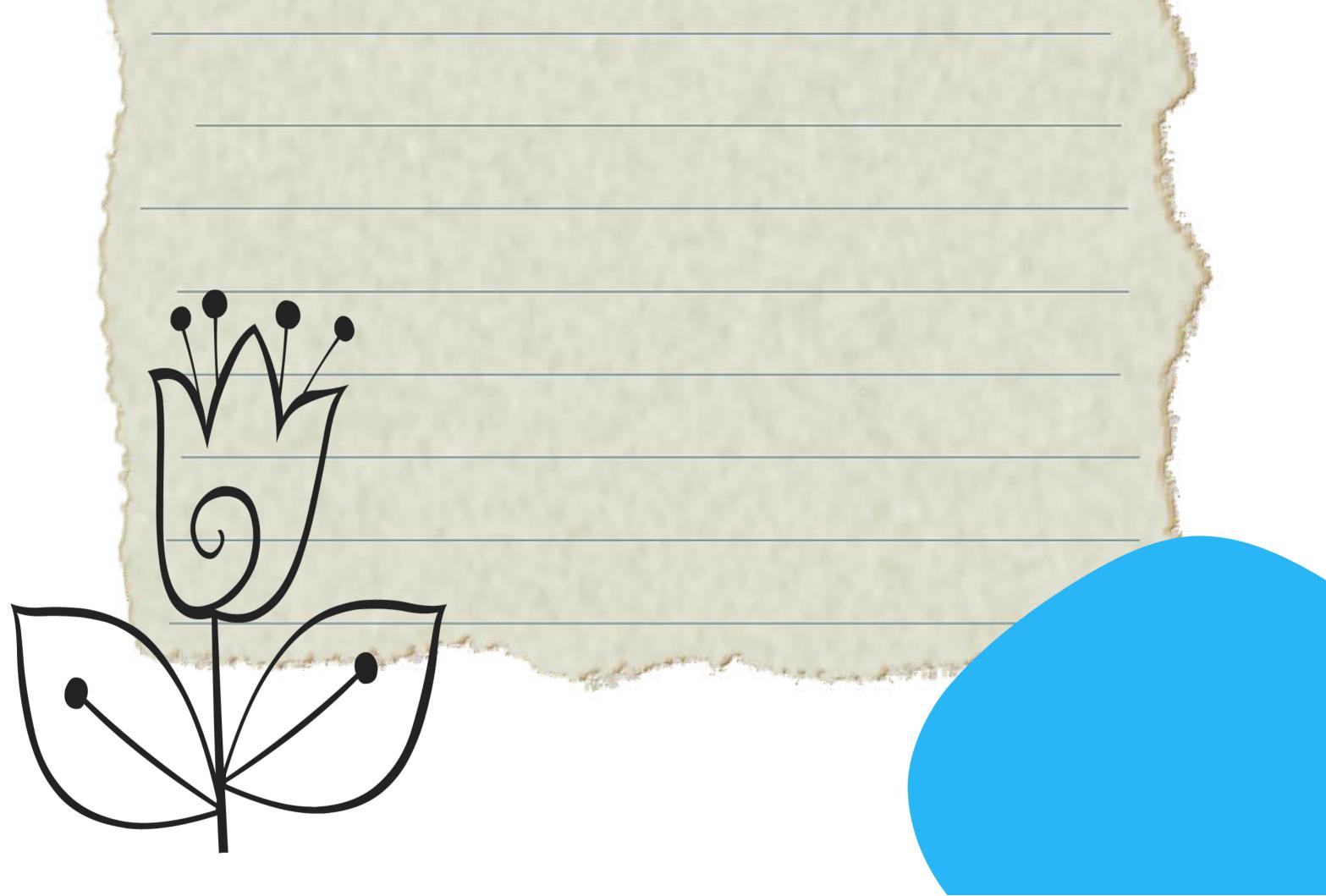
equal balance among all dimensions, all require some level of awareness and committment." Scottsdale Recovery, 2022



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