False!

While theories of change and logic models are related, they are not one in the same. A theory of change is expressed in words. A logic model is a visual display of a theory of change. People often find it easier to express complex ideas in pictures rather than words, so logic models are a great tool to help people develop their community change ideas.

Difference Between Theory of Change and Logic Model

| Theory of Change | Logic Model |
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| A statement of shared under- | A logic model is an illustration |
| standing of the assumptions | of your theory of change. It |
| and beliefs that guide your | uses words and/or pictures to |
| program's development and | describe the activities thought |
| are believed to be critical for | to bring about change and how |
| producing change and improv- | these activities are linked to the |
| ing the lives of the population | results the program is expected |
| you serve. | to achieve. |

Special note: Although there are different kinds of logic models, MC grantees are asked to develop theory of change logic model. According to the Kellogg Foundation, theory-based logic models, "illustrate how and why you think your program will work. They are built from the 'big picture' kinds of thoughts and ideas that went into conceptualizing your program." Find out more at http://www.smartgivers. org/uploads/logicmodelguidepdf.pdf.