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## The strengthening capacity of sub-district community organization council in local community development

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## **Abstract**

The strengthening capacity of sub-district community organization council in developing local communities is a mechanism for strengthening Thailand's development. This article is presented as part of a research study, which aims to study the factors promoting the potential of the sub-district community organization council in developing local communities to be able to solve problems and manage their own local areas. The questionnaire interviewing was used by the target population of 172 people in 10 sub-districts, 7 provinces of Thailand. The obtained data were analyzed using a multiple linear regression method to predict the independent and dependent variables. The result was found that the factors that can predict the potential of subdistrict community organization council in developing local communities with statistical significance are (1) the trust of government organizations in the sub-district community organization council (2) providing a public space for discussion and debate; (3) encouraging continuous coordination and exchange of information with the network; and (4) strengthening the leadership of the subdistrict community organization council. Having a public space for discussion and joint debate is a predictive variable for the potential of the Sub-district Community Organization Council to develop the local community with the highest level. Because, it creates participation for all parties involved to discuss from real data, resulting in conclusions leading to development operations that are consistent with reality and meet the needs of the local community.

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