The Guiding Principles for Monitoring & Evaluation



Focused

Data collected should focus on the goals of the project and program.



Timely

Data should be collected and shared at the relevant time. If data is shared too late, it's useless.



Usable

Shared data should be easy for all stakeholders to use; for example, a online report that's easy to access and query rather than a written report.



Credible

All techniques for data collection, analysis and reporting should be credible and standardized. This helps ensure the end result is accurate so it can be used for critical decisions.



Ethical

All data should be collected and analyzed ethically. For example, if data is collected through surveys, make sure you get informed consent from each participant.