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Dr. Schnare believes that the wealth of a community defines the amount of public investment a community can make and that investments in culture, spirituality, environmentalism, education and research should be balanced and reflect the interests and needs of the community. He champions the steward's ethic, including a responsibility to the inheritors of his own generation.