Ignite Showcase: Part I

Wednesday afternoon 1:30 – 2:00 p.m.

These 5-minute presentations give a lightning-quick overview of a project or technology.

A Framework for Mapping Civic Tech and Data Ecosystems
Katya Abazajian, Urban Institute
Over the past year, NNIPHQ has collaborated with Living Cities and Code for America on the MacArthur-sponsored *Civic Tech and Data Collaborative*. Through our work with the seven participating NNIP partners and lessons from other cities, we are learning about how communities successfully leverage civic tech and data to address issues facing local government and city residents. We set out to understand what it takes to build a strong and inclusive ecosystem, piece by piece. This talk will share a draft framework we have developed to describe the capacities, institutions, and resources necessary to implement an effective collaborative. While the availability of these requirements may vary from city to city, we believe that ecosystems can grow out of any environment given the right elements of cross-sector participation.

Big, Hairy, Scary, Honking Collaboration
Lynnette Cook, Community Research Partners
Social enterprise is taking off in central Ohio. It's great to think that investors and the social enterprises they invest in could make money AND do good in our community. But how in the world will we know who's doing what, who's doing "the most good", and whether or not the "good" they do is actually a priority in our community? CRP is working on a pilot with the Center for Social Enterprise Development (CSED) and Measurement Resources Company (MRC) to develop a Proof of Concept for an impact reporting system that: 1) Provides a means to focus on relevant issues, 2) Helps to drive change by tracking progress, and 3) Prompts questioning of current approaches & procedures. This data management will be efficient, replicable, allow for regular updates, store sortable data, export data, and facilitates analysis and evaluation.

CURA's Online Disparity Calculator

Jeff Matson, University of Minnesota

CURA has partnered with national and Twin Cities LISC to develop a fully-interactive disparity calculator. Organizations in LISC cities can use the calculator to measure racial disparities among a host of indicators at pre-defined or custom geographies. This Leaflet-based web mapping application uses the Census API and data from LISC's Building Sustainable Communities initiative to give users an in-depth look at the gaps in home ownership, unemployment, educational attainment, poverty and more. The primary purpose of this tool is to put actual numbers behind the statistics we hear repeatedly about income and opportunity differences among various racial/ethnic groups.

Hello, Cleveland!

April Urban, Case Western Reserve University

April Urban will provide an overview of key trends in the City of Cleveland and Cuyahoga County, as well as a brief introduction to the three neighborhoods featured through the tours later today.