Ignite Showcase, Part 1

Wednesday afternoon 1:30 - 2:00 p.m.

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

Young Leaders Strong City

Alejandro Acero Murillo, University of Texas at Dallas

Young Leaders Strong City is a leadership initiative that currently takes the form of a day of workshops revolving around social justice issues geared towards high school students in the Dallas metro area. This year will be the fourth time it takes place. This presentation will cover the history, values, day of operations, lessons learned, and the vision for the future of the program.

Bridging the Community Data Gap

Bob Gradeck, University of Pittsburgh

The University Library System at the University of Pittsburgh, in partnership with the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, the Western Pennsylvania Regional Data Center, and the Urban Institute, which supports and coordinates the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership, will develop the capacity of public and academic libraries to serve as key partners in local open civic data ecosystems. The project's primary output will be a guide and toolkit to help public and academic libraries: identify local needs and contexts around open civic data; consider roles, opportunities, practices, and governance in the civic data ecosystem; anticipate and address common challenges; measure local civic open data health and capacity; and learn from examples of successful civic data partnerships.

Storytelling Through Neighborhood Data

Caroline Bhalla, University of Southern California

In addition to empowering Los Angeles neighborhoods with the data needed to advocate for their communities, the USC Price Center for Social Innovation produces an ongoing series of data stories focused on a range of geographies and policy topics. Pairing precise data with rich narrative, beautiful photos, and interactive maps and visualizations, our data stories reveal the trends, challenges and opportunities facing Los Angeles communities, giving readers an opportunity to learn more about the issues confronting our region. This ignite presentation will preview one of these data stories, which explores the high rates of rent burdened residents living in Los Angeles communities.

Indianapolis: Four Neighborhood Histories in Five Minutes

Matt Nowlin, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

We will explore the neighborhoods you are about to see in the tours later today, looking at demographic trends in those neighborhoods over the past 50-80 years. We will also look at non-demographic topics, like in which neighborhood can you buy the fanciest meat?