IGNITE SHOWCASE: PART II

Thursday morning, 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

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

NNIP Data Inventory Analysis

Rob Pitingolo, Research Associate II at the Urban Institute

The NNIP data inventory was first published in 1996 for the original NNIP partners. Today, all partners complete an annual online data inventory. NNIP is all about neighborhood data, which is defined as data 1) at a small geography, 2) recurring and up-to-date, and 3) multi-topic. NNIP HQ has taken a deeper look at the inventory to understand how partners compare.

Data Visualization for a Broad Audience

Josh Wheeling, Program Manager at CamConnect

CamConnect specializes in increasing access to data in the Camden community, so making information easily digestible to the general public is essential. We have worked with design specialists in order to make reports and infographics in Adobe Creative Suites in addition to online interactive maps (though the presentation will focus on the former) in order to help those without extensive data or mapping backgrounds understand information surrounding important local issues. A good example of this is our web page with an interactive map linking to Census data infographics on each neighborhood in the City of Camden.

CURA: Tech - a civic technology incubator

Kristen Murray, CURA Tech Program at University of Minnesota

Over the last six months, the Center for Urban and Regional Affairs at the University of Minnesota has been hosting a program to support diverse collaborations as they develop civic technologies, both low-tech and high-tech. Learn about the prototypes that seven teams developed over the summer in response to the question, “How can technology strengthen your community?”, and about the lessons CURA has learned along the way.
**Sequencing a Property’s Path Towards Vacancy**

**Sarah Duda,** DePaul University

We would like to present some preliminary findings of an analysis we have been working on that illustrates the potential that parcel-level data analysis can have on shedding light on a vacant property’s status. The analysis is based on a data set we built for the City of Chicago that creates a sequence of parcel-level transaction activity preceding a likely blighted vacant property. It answers questions like:

- Where are blighted vacant properties located?
- What was the most recent type of transaction on a blighted vacant property?
- When was the most recent activity on blighted vacant properties?

**Greater Portland Pulse (GPP): The March of Progress**

**Sheila Martin,** Director and Professor at Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies at Portland State University

The Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies has provided the region's leaders with data about its people and its economy for over 20 years. Greater Portland Pulse represents an evolution in the way we deliver that data and the process for using it to inform leaders and stakeholders. Originally launched in 2010, GPP has recently been re-launched with a new look and feel, a more useful architecture and lower-cost process for keeping data up to date.