Ignite Showcase: Part III

Friday morning 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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

United, We Get Stuff Done
Matt Richardson, Data You Can Use, Inc.
Data work comes with its share of challenges, from obtaining funding to getting government, nonprofits and the public fully on board with modern data practices. Using data to bring awareness to what the world could be and how to change it requires a lot of effort. To do that, Data You Can Use is combining the NNIP and Code for America models to build capacity through our most untapped resource: professional and student technologists. This talk will explain the Milwaukee Digital Playbook, inspired by the USDS CIO Digital Playbook, and the strategies and programs we have co-designed with universities, software companies, news organizations, and startup incubators that are helping us transform the data landscape one project at a time.

KnowPlace: Public Neighborhood Data Aggregation on the Fly
Jessie Partridge, Metropolitan Area Planning Council
KnowPlace is a website that allows users to draw their neighborhood and collect aggregated information about it. Currently, the website aggregates Census and American Community Survey data (with margins of error), but it is built to be flexible for the data analyst on the back end. The tool boils down what can sometimes be a complex task into a simple web interface.

Motor City Mapping 2016 Update: From Data System to Data Collaboration
Noah Urban, Data Driven Detroit
For three years, D3 has been involved in the Motor City Mapping project, compiling and maintaining a comprehensive parcel-level database for the entire city of Detroit. Over the course of this project, D3 has experienced a number of changes in scope, structure, and activity. The most recent phase of work has involved conversations around how to transition the property-level data system into a broader citywide data collaborative. In this presentation, Noah Urban, D3's lead analyst on Motor City Mapping, will provide updates on how D3 is going through this process, discuss some of the concepts that are guiding their approach, and summarize both frustrating and enlightening insights that they've gained over the past several weeks.

Understanding the Impact of Chicago's 606 trail on the Surrounding Neighborhoods

Geoff Smith, DePaul University

Once an abandoned railroad line littered with debris, Chicago's 606 trail system opened in June 2015 stretching 2.7 miles through the city's Northwest Side. The trail has been heralded as a landmark public space in neighborhoods where Chicagoans live, work, and play, but while the trail brings potential for redevelopment in areas hit hard by the recession and housing crisis, it also has the potential to accelerate the displacement of low- and moderate-income residents in historically Latino neighborhoods on the trail's western half. This presentation discusses preliminary results of IHS's analysis of how the neighborhoods housing market has changed since work began on the trail in 2013.