



CTSA 2 COMMUNITY

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Objective:

To develop an accessible, user-driven, and sustainable web resource for community and academic experts working together to identify, adopt, and implement a wide array of CEnR infrastructures for enhancing community engagement in all forms of clinical and translational research.

Progress:

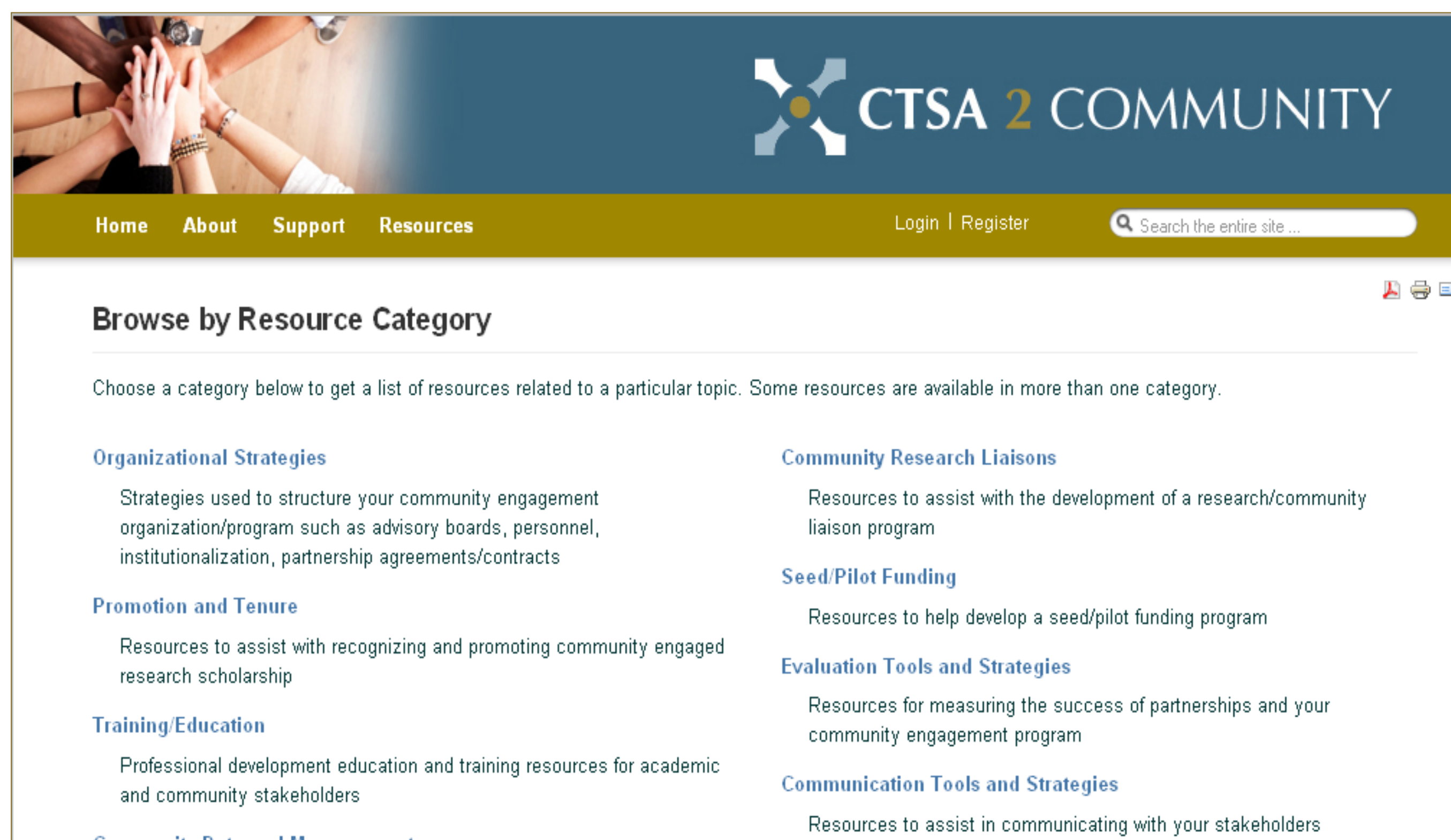
- Convened advisory committee representing 11 CTSA
- Conducted ongoing literature & web search, & queries of experts
- Identified over 200 infrastructure resources from across CTSA, CCPH, and other academic-community partnership centers
- Developed conceptual framework representing different categories of CEnR infrastructure
- Constructed, pretested, and refined interactive web portal to support online learning community and resource access

CTSA2Community Overview:

CTSA2Community aims to be a storage place for valuable resources referring to the set-up and running of a community engagement program. Resources are provided by experts in the field of community engagement. CTSA2Community provides users with multiple ways to search for resources, including resource categories, tags, keywords, and common challenges.

Resource Categories:

Every resource included on the CTSA2Community website is broken down into categories. This allows interested parties a way to quickly browse our collection of resources.



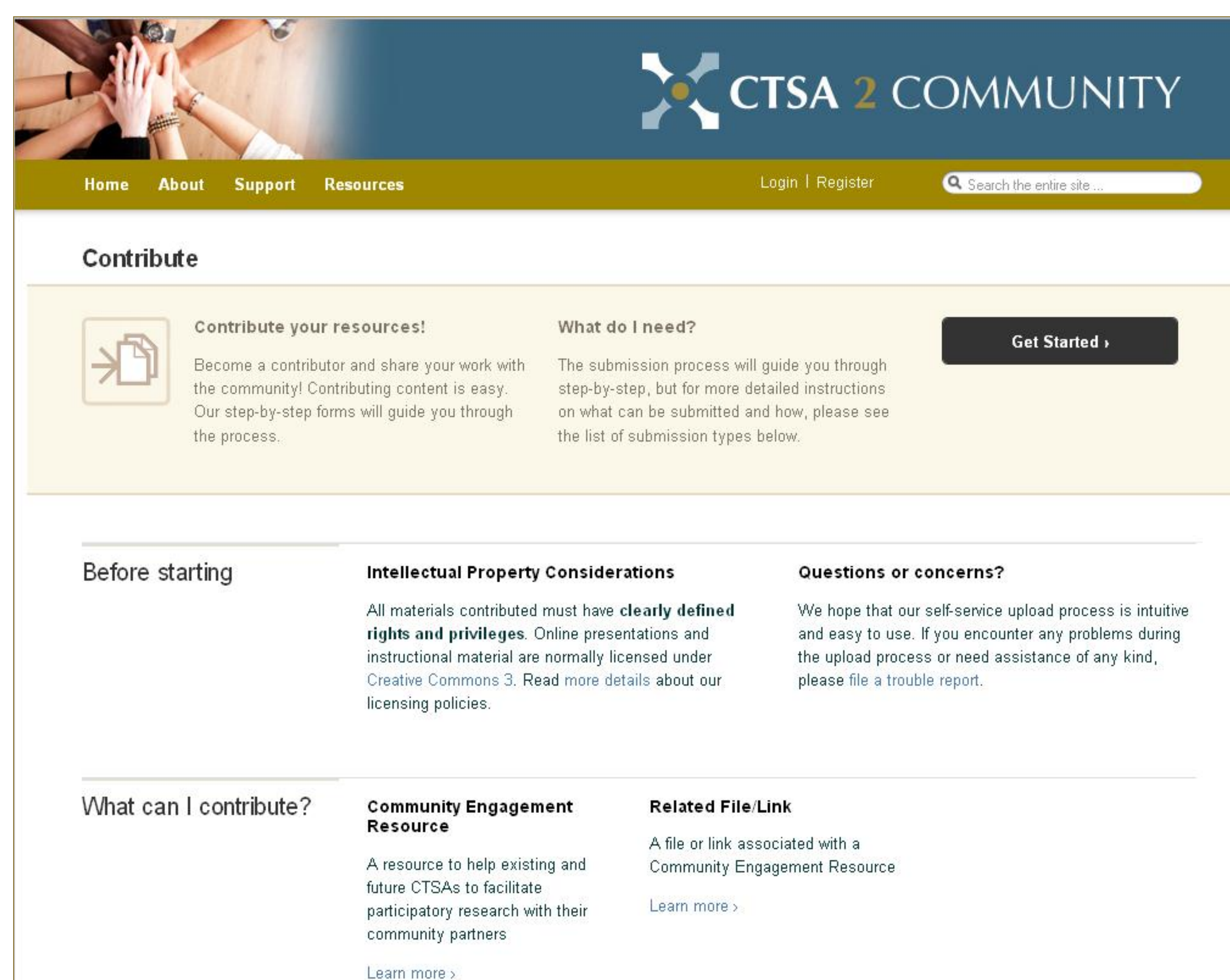
Browse by Resource Category

Choose a category below to get a list of resources related to a particular topic. Some resources are available in more than one category.

Organizational Strategies Strategies used to structure your community engagement organization/program such as advisory boards, personnel, institutionalization, partnership agreements/contracts	Community Research Liaisons Resources to assist with the development of a research/community liaison program
Promotion and Tenure Resources to assist with recognizing and promoting community engaged research scholarship	Seed Pilot Funding Resources to help develop a seed/pilot funding program
Training/Education Professional development education and training resources for academic and community stakeholders	Evaluation Tools and Strategies Resources for measuring the success of partnerships and your community engagement program
Community Data and Measurement	Communication Tools and Strategies Resources to assist in communicating with your stakeholders

Contribute:

CTSA2Community uses a simple contribution process. If your institution has a resource that would be valuable to other CEnR programs, it can be added for other users to see. By contributing to CTSA2Community you can spread your achievements while helping others to find more success supporting local partners in community-engaged research.



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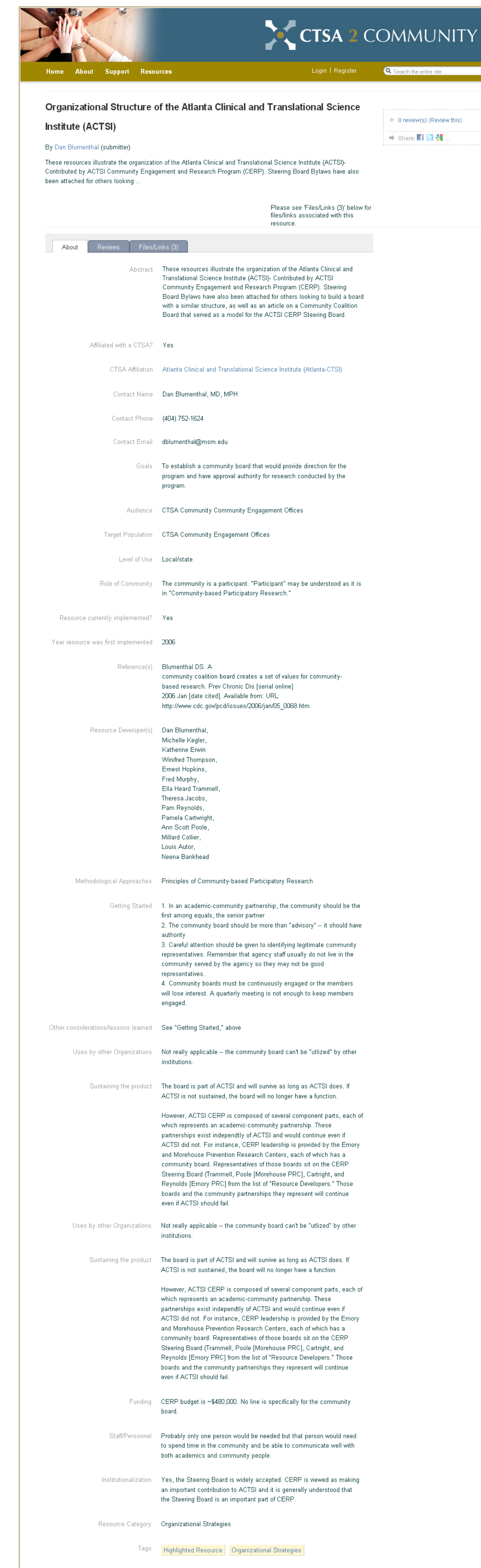
Contribute your resources! What do I need? [Get Started](#)

Become a contributor and share your work with the community! Contributing content is easy. Our step-by-step forms will guide you through the process.

The submission process will guide you through step-by-step, but for more detailed instructions on what can be submitted and how, please see the list of submission types below.

Before starting	Intellectual Property Considerations All materials contributed must have clearly defined rights and privileges . Online presentations and instructional material are normally licensed under Creative Commons 3. Read more details about our licensing policies.	Questions or concerns? We hope that our self-service upload process is intuitive and easy to use. If you encounter any problems during the upload process or need assistance of any kind, please file a trouble report.
What can I contribute?	Community Engagement Resource A resource to help existing and future CTSA to facilitate participatory research with their community partners Learn more >	Related File Link A file or link associated with a Community Engagement Resource Learn more >

Example Resource



Organizational Structure of the Atlanta Clinical and Translational Science Institute (ACTSI)

By Dan Blumenthal (submitter)

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Please see [Thumbnail\(s\)](#) below for [Thumbnail\(s\)](#) associated with this resource.

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Affiliated with a CTSA? Yes

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Goals: To establish a community board that would provide direction for the program and have approval authority for research conducted by the program.

Audience: CTSA Community Engagement Offices

Target Population: CTSA Community Engagement Offices

Level of Use: Local/site

Role of Community: The community is a participant. "Participant" may be understood as it is in "Community-based Participatory Research."

Resource currently implemented? Yes

Year resource was first implemented: 2006

References: Blumenthal DD. A community coalition board creates a set of values for community-based research. *Peer Chronic Dis* [serial online]. 2006; 10(4): 104-111. Available from: URL: http://www.cdc.gov/pcd/issues/2006/jan06_104_111.htm

Resource Developer(s): Dan Blumenthal, Michelle Krieger, Katherine Erwin, Vivian Thompson, Ernest Hopkins, Fred Murphy, Ella Reed, Tammie, Theresa Jacobs, Pam Reynolds, Pamela Cartwright, Ann Scott Paine, Mikaela Carter, Luis Astar, Hanna Barkhead

Methodological Approaches: Principles of Community-based Participatory Research

Getting Started: 1. In an academic-community partnership, the community should be the first among equals, the senior partner.
2. The community board should be more than "advisory" -- it should have authority.
3. Careful attention should be given to identifying legitimate community representatives. Remember that agency staff usually do not live in the community served by the agency so they may not be good representatives.
4. Community boards must be continuously engaged or the members will lose interest. A quarterly meeting is not enough to keep members engaged.

Other considerations/lessons learned: See "Getting Started," above

Uses by other Organizations: Not really applicable -- the community board can't be "titled" by other institutions.

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Funding: CERP budget is ~\$400,000. No line is specifically for the community board.

Staff/Personnel: Probably only one person would be needed but that person would need to spend time in the community and be able to communicate well with both academics and community people.

Institutionalization: Yes, the Steering Board is widely accepted. CERP is viewed as making an important contribution to ACTSI and it is generally understood that the Steering Board is an important part of CERP.

Resource Category: Organizational Strategies

Tags: [Highlighted Resource](#) | [Organizational Strategies](#)

C2C CTSA Collaborators:

- Northwestern University
- University of Michigan
- Duke University
- University of North Carolina
- University of Chicago
- University of Colorado
- UC Davis
- Washington University
- Emory/Morehouse
- Weill Cornell Medical College

Future Directions:

- Official launch of website to the entire CTSA consortium
- Continue to promote to CTSA
- Refine existing tools & resources based on user feedback
- Incorporate new functions within the web portal to support multi-stakeholder teams to develop new CEnR resources
- Collaborate closely with CTSA CEnR KFC Workgroups to incorporate emerging tools in high priority areas

Support:

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- All CTSA collaborators
- CCPH, and
- Users of the C2C portal



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Dedicated to providing a place to share ideas, experiences, and best practices utilized by CTSA community engagement programs.

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Find by Category
A framework that classifies elements of a productive Community Engaged Research (CEnR) program

Find by Problem
List of problems with associated resources

Find by Tag
Table-based display organized by category and other keywords

Featured Community Engagement Resource

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