



# Access the Data

[accessthe-data.org](https://www.accessthe-data.org)

## Project Overview

With government policies increasingly relying on data and data analysis, **Access the Data** has identified that it is important to increase citizens' access and understanding of local government data in order to be effective advocates for their communities.

The Access the Data MVP will include a centralized space for open government data and educational resources that will help community activists use data to advocate for their communities.

We **envision** Access the Data as a tool that any municipality can use, to make it easy for their citizens to find, navigate, and understand local government data.

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## Project Goals

- Elevate the LA citizen's knowledge and effective use of publicly available government data sources, data systems and applications
- Increasing adoption of data sets and tools provided by the city or other 3rd parties and encourage engagement with open source code/data
- Create public website for community to get involved and continued learning
- Knowledge transfer and growth of the overall open source Civic Tech community

## MVP Milestones

- Identified key target personas for Access the Data's potential users
- Pivoted project MVP from creating educational resources to guiding people on where they can find existing resources through a catalog
- Designed website for Access the Data to host catalog of digital resources

## Six-Month Roadmap

1. Get CKAN and a test site up and running
2. Integrate the major design elements and features into the test site
3. Add sample group of data to the catalog

