The Open Referral Initiative: The Nutshell

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Vision[1]	Mission
We envision a world in which everyone has access to — and the ability to effectively use — information about resources available in their community.	We are developing a common data format (globally) and open platforms (locally) for the sharing of community resource directory data.

Values[2]	Principles
Accessible	Open source
Interoperable	User prerogative
Reliable	Be Kind
Sustainable	Test assumptions

Types of Use[3]	Domain	Industry Alignments[4]
Help seeking	Organizations / Agencies	Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (AIRS)
Referring	Services / Programs	W3C civic services schema
Data administration	Sites / Locations	National Information Exchange Model (NIEM)
Research		

Stakeholders[5]	Partners	Global Network	Local Pilots	Process
Community anchor institutions	Vendors	Core team	Core team	Design
Referral providers	Civic techies	Community forum	Community forum	Implement
Governments	Standard bearers	Workgroup (evaluators)	Leadership table (lead stakeholders)	Evaluate
Funders	Research institutions	Workshops	Workshops	Deliberate
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[1] http://goo.gl/4CZJAP
[2] http://goo.gl/gslrfB
[3] http://goo.gl/P62Ea1
[4] http://goo.gl/WgAN9U
[5] **Learn more in our: Public Documentation and Architecture of Participation**