

# Access the Data

Project Proposal: V1 Data Catalog

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## Access the Data 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.

Our mission is to connect people to policy using open access data, which we will accomplish by

- giving people access to data
- teaching them how to find and use data to affect policy change
- showing them how other community members are creating change through data

To accomplish this first task, we are building a data catalog that people can use and curate with open-access government data. Having this resource will give them the data they need to advocate for their communities.

## V1 Data Catalog Overview

To help people gain access to open data, we are creating a data catalog that can be utilized and curated by the Los Angeles community. An MVP has been created using CKAN and Access the Data is ready to work with the Data Science Community of Practice to start curating and refining the data catalog tool for a Version 1.

## Project Goals

- Help people find the data they need to advocate for their communities
- Build a community that will utilize and contribute to the data catalog

## Deliverables

- A deployed test/dev environment
- A user-ready version of the Access the Data website
- Sources of local, open government data already in the catalog by launch
- A continued stakeholder plan to sustain user engagement and investment
- An updated design that is incorporated across the site
- Updated Team Resource documentation

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