PRAISE FOR THIS RESOURCE

“Expertly curated by the Center for Community Health and Development at the University of Kansas, this free on-line resource connects community coalitions with practical information they need to assess, plan, act, evaluate, and sustain their efforts. With over 7,000 pages, the Community Tool Box is nothing short of a public service wonder.”

Karen J. Pittman, President and CEO
Forum for Youth Investment

“The Community Tool Box is easily the most comprehensive, rigorous, and user-friendly ‘field manual’ for anyone involved in social change - including community leaders and organizers, scholars, policymakers, philanthropists, and others - to understand the how, what, when, and where of community transformation. CTB brings the state of the science of community health and development to the many sectors needed to create positive change. Soup-to-nuts, CTB offers a blueprint for anyone seeking to harness community strengths and resources of resiliency to build healthier spaces and places. Its worldwide reach and impact are unparalleled.”

Brian D. Smedley, Ph.D.
Vice President and Director, Health Policy Institute
Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

“The Community Tool Box has become the go-to source for the vast majority of community health practitioners, planners, and evaluators seeking guidance. Now, with its expansion in other languages, that reach will continue to expand. This has become an indispensable resource for the public’s health.”

Lawrence Green, Dr.Ph., M.P.H.
Co-Author, Health Program Planning: An Educational and Ecological Approach

“The Community Tool Box is a cornucopia of resources that I have used in many contexts. It is my first referral for colleagues and students who ask for a practical rendering of abstract concepts such as ‘community development’ or ‘empowerment’. The stepwise packaging of the toolkit allows an easy entry point for academics, practitioners, and activists.”

Gauden Galea, M.D., M.P.H., Director
Division of Non-Communicable Diseases and Health Promotion, World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark

“For over 20 years, the Community Tool Box has been essential to ensuring we get significant health impact from our community based efforts. As we reform our health system and more actively use community-based health interventions, the Community Tool Box will help ensure we maximize the value of our health dollars.”

Georges C. Benjamin, M.D., Executive Director
American Public Health Association
The Community Tool Box offers the most complete collection of tools and resources anywhere for building healthy and prosperous communities. [This resource] can help you make progress on the issues you care about while transforming the civic culture of your community. From A to Z, if you have a question about how to approach a community challenge or just need to get back on track when things go awry, you will find what you need here. 

David D. Chrislip
Author, The Collaborative Leadership Fieldbook

Whether teaching community organizing, community-based participatory research, or an introduction to the field in the School of Public Health, the Community Tool Box is among the first resources I share with students. [We use] the Community Tool Box as our ‘go-to’ reference for papers, community assessments, policy-related work, or organizing around health and social issues. The Tool Box is a gem, and I love how very accessible it is. Our community partners love learning about this wonderful resource, and they too use it often. Thanks so much to the creators and contributors for the best online resource I know.

Meredith Minkler, Ph.D., M.P.H., Professor and Director Health and Social Behavior, School of Public Health UC Berkeley, and co-author Community Organizing and Community Building for Health

This resource stands the test of time like few other tools and resources in the fields of public health and community intervention. When over two million people use the product each year, and over 10,000 on a daily basis, you know that it's meeting a need. [With the CTB], more lives will be improved in the U.S. and around the world.

David Altman, Ph.D.
Vice President and Managing Director Europe, Middle East, and Africa Region Center for Creative Leadership

During the course of my 2 decades of supporting CDC grantees in their work, many CDC grantees and public health professionals have noted what a valuable resource the Community Tool Box is in their work to improve health. Grantees have continuously commented on the breadth and depth of information available, and ease of use.

Corinne M. Graffunder, Dr.Ph., M.P.H.
Deputy Associate Director for Policy Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Community Tool Box is uniquely valuable to all seeking to improve outcomes for the children, families, and communities with the odds stacked against them. Those who built the Community Tool Box recognized long before 'collective impact' became a buzzword, that isolated interventions had only minimal impact, that a comprehensive lens was essential as local communities search for effective strategies. They provide guidance on what to do, as well as how to do it.

Lisbeth B. Schorr, Senior Fellow Center for the Study of Social Policy Author, Common Purpose

The Community Tool Box is an important resource that has enabled many global initiatives like the Millennium Villages Project to deepen our focus on community-led development.

Sonia Ehrlich Sachs, M.D., M.P.H., Director of Health Millennium Villages Project Earth Institute, Columbia University

The Community Tool Box is the most robust one-stop, go-to, high-quality resource for tools and skills to build healthier communities that I know of. Further, the team’s ongoing commitment to learning, and to making this asset richer every day, keeps the Tool Box fresh and ever-relevant.

Tyler Norris, M.Div., Vice President Total Health Partnerships, Kaiser Permanente