Community Learning Space
Best Practices

Build partnerships
> Encourage participation within the organization.

Ownership of the data remains with the partner.
> Partner best knows their community
> Use tools to assist with data maintenance
>> Keeping data current
>> Updating
>> Verification
>> Entry in more than one database
> Workflow

Site maintenance remains with the partner
> Use simple tools for site maintenance
>> Site layout and design
>> Data structure changes
>> Adding value to data

Provide technical expertise online
> Information/documentation for site maintenance support
>> Assists partner administrators
> Shows potential partners how to implement a learning space

Provide levels of security
> Allow for some data to be provided for restricted access

Minimize capital and operating costs by providing one central learning space server
> Can be used for many learning spaces for different organizations.
> Supports distributed data

Layout/Design
> Levels of navigation
> Use of partner specific language
> Importance of visual interest

What the Project has Learned
Arts and Culture
> Data readiness - data should be current and valid
> Need broader community to keep data current
> Community acceptance drives need for further development
> Importance of visual interest

Economic Development

Partnership building takes a lot of time when more than one organization in the partnership
Feedback cycle impacted by partner time limitations
Change in management changes focus

Rural Switchboard
Partner staffing changes affects progress

Quality of Life
Willingness to share data limits development