

The Need, Power, and the Importance of Data

It's important to connect current data to previous research projects has been effective in reaching the criteria of this report.

Also, finding refugees who share their stories to illustrate the experience as a refugee arriving and resettling in the United States.

Set up plan that will create an in depth quantitative data analysis to reach certain criteria.

Collecting data from local refugee communities as well as analyzing data collected professionally from various credited sources is effective in supporting the presented topic as well as drawing an effective conclusion.



Setting Goals

Develop a clear and concise research plan that will display the short and long-term impacts of the refugee community

Analyze, compare, collect, and utilize the data from various refugee communities that are represented in the Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area

Reach out and collect personal accounts of refugees living in Central Ohio in order to give reader a clear picture of the facts and lives of refugees.



Columbus

Raising Fund

Bringing in new partners and collaborators to meet the project's goals as well as providing additional funding to the allotted seed money that funded the research project.



Collaborating with the City of Columbus which helped leverage additional funds for the project.

Outreaching to different local funders such as the City of Columbus, the State of Ohio, and Franklin County.



Meeting with a variety of foundations such as HIAS, Columbus Foundation, United Way, Melinda Healthcare, Small Business Development, Columbia Gas, and AP

Selecting Research Partners

Having clear expectations are important in selecting the research partners.

Communicating clearly with research partners the expectations of the data they would be collecting and providing as well as being clear on the official deadlines.

Having discussions with the research partners about the provided data.



Setting and establishing a collaborative tone from the start is important to create a solid foundation in the data collection as well as a positive relationship with the research partners.

Gathering Data

Data Collection

It's critical to understand and determine the data sets that are available. Then, select the data sets that need to be collected for the project

It's crucial to determine the data sets, which aren't available therefore figuring out the data that needs to be collected and determining the methods of collecting the unavailable data.



Preparing Report

Data Collection

It's important to collaborate often and organize meetings to discuss additional cost and include ideas from partners.

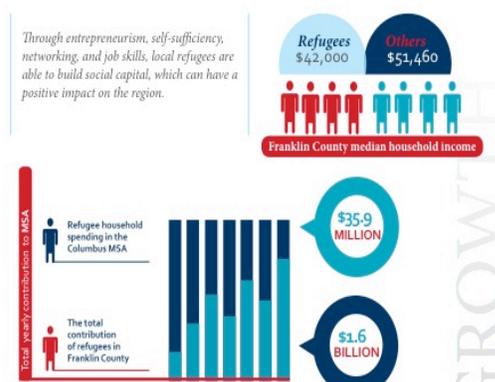
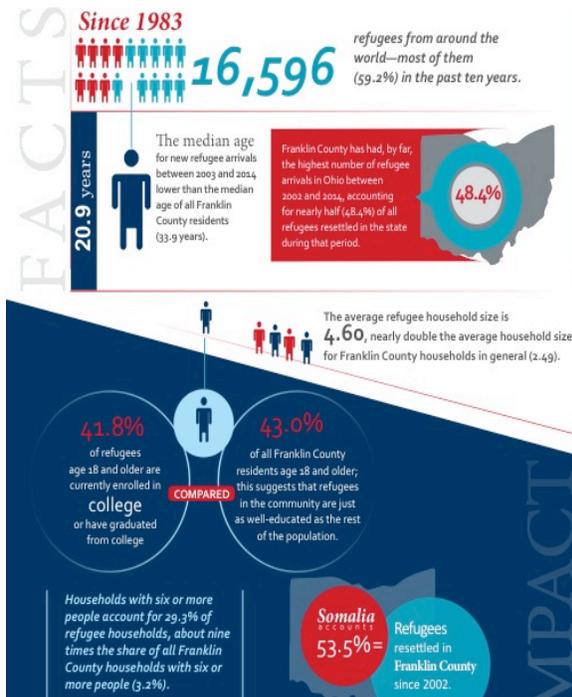
Be prepared for any sudden changes in the process of collecting data.

Consider any additional fees or cost that may come up in the research such as printing, graphics, and photography.

Deadlines

Expect deadlines to be moved and be prepared when they have to be changed.

Expect the vision of the research to be changed over time.



Community Education/Outreach Activities

Community Outreach

Using various positive methods to reach out to public officials, community organization as well as educational and religious institutions.

Organize events and collaborating with community organizations and religious groups in which local citizens can intermingle with members of the local refugee community.

Publicity

It's important to get the media's attention to appeal to the interest of the public as well as gaining their support.

Designing a website that is accessible for the public to provide with insight on the project.



Lessons Learned

Concluding Lesson

It is important to know the questions and answers of the research, as well as the data group and research sources.

It is also quintessential not to rush the research and collect the data so that there are no strenuous time-constraints. In other words, it's important to go slow and steady.

Finally, it is necessary to know cost of the project and research as well as choosing your partners carefully to avoid any costly dilemmas.

