

**2nd ANNUAL JERHRE WORKSHOP ON COMMUNITY-BASED
PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH**
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Community-based participatory research (CBPR) – whether concerned with strengthening inner city institutions, promoting health, creating and sustaining translational medicine partnerships, or creating online research partnerships – is vital to the successful application of scientific knowledge in society. Yet it requires an unconventional alliance of researchers and community leaders.

This workshop will draw on the expertise of academicians and community leaders, to examine the challenges of conducting CBPR and the qualities that make it successful. Building on the discussions in our first workshop (see: <http://www.uh.edu/cpp/cbprc.htm> for the 2009 program and materials) participants will examine the definition of what a community is, focusing on alternative contexts such as online communities, neighborhoods, institutions, and cultural groups. The workshop will also explore ways to creating a research relationship between academicians and the community that can last for decades and optimize its knowledge potential. Further, the workshop will seek to draw lessons for researchers and community leaders from various models of CBPR, including:

- Models of building trust and relationships before and throughout the research.
- Models of CBPR funding, including recommendations from current CBPR funders, and exploration of alternative models e.g., funding directly to community and jointly funding various entities.
- Models of building scientific literacy in community partners, and community literacy in academic partners. What does each need to know? Ways to provide that knowledge.
- Models of collaborative interpretation of findings and dissemination.

The workshop will conclude with a roundtable discussion to identify important questions about CBPR that remain to be addressed.

Format: This workshop will be modeled on the highly successful first workshop described at <http://www.uh.edu/cpp/cbprc.htm>. The workshop will primarily consist of a series of brief informal presentations, each followed by moderated, lively, and interactive discussions with the audience. Background papers for each session will be posted to the conference website in advance. This informal format promotes listening, communicating, serious engagement, and problem solving between researchers and community leaders.

AN INVITATION TO /CONTRIBUTE IDEAS AND ABSTRACTS

We encourage submission of proposals from potential speakers as well as suggestions for topics to be covered. Please address your program suggestions to: joan.sieber@csueastbay.edu. Phone (510) 538-5424; fax (510) 881-2153. If you would like to be a speaker, please include your name, the names of any co-presenters, contact information, and a brief description of the proposed workshop topic. Early abstract drafts are also welcomed. Please note that if you are selected as a speaker, the information you provide will be used in the program brochure. Please be sure the spelling is correct and all relevant information is included.

Address inquiries about logistics, reservations, etc connected with attending the conference to Mike Angel, mangel2@uh.edu. Phone: (713) 743-3976. For details about the University of Houston Center for Public Policy, see: <http://www.uh.edu/cpp/>

As the program becomes established, a formal call for abstracts will appear in JERHRE and on the Center for Public Policy website at <http://www.uh.edu/cpp.htm>, and deadlines will be established.