# THE IDEAL COLLABORATORY INSTITUTION

Collaboratory is a one-of-a-kind software that helps institutions understand the *landscape* of their engagement - the *who, what, where, when* and *why* of activities designed with and/or for their various communities. With Collaboratory, all that information is collected in one place, allowing easy access to data and reports for accreditation, applications, recognitions, grants, etc. Faculty and staff have a place to tell their stories, while community members can search and learn using the public website.



For Collaboratory to be successful at an institution, it is important that within the institution there is a campus-wide commitment to community engagement. The successful campus is one who prioritizes and exemplifies a dedication to strengthening community engagement and integrating public service and community engagement data into the institutional strategy. Consider the following:

#### VISION / MISSION

- Community engagement is seen as a strategy to accomplish institutional success
- There is commitment to strengthening the culture of engagement across campus
- It is clear how community engagement and public service data will be strategically used in cross-institutional initiatives

### A CULTURE OF DATA

- There is support for the collection and use of community engagement and public service data from institutional leaders in a variety of positions throughout campus (e.g. Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, President or Provost)
- There are open channels of communication throughout the institution for data collection and use as it relates to institutional planning, assessment, accreditation, research, etc.

## **AVAILABLE RESOURCES & SUPPORT**

- A Core Administrator with expertise and experience in community engagement and data use has been identified to lead rollout, implementation, and use of Collaboratory on campus and has a dedicated amount of time to spend on such endeavors
- The Core Administrator is supported by a team of individuals (faculty, staff, and/or students) across campus to assist with Collaboratory implementation and data use

#### Do you think your institution is ready? www.cecollaboratory.com

