

Tools for Community Engagement

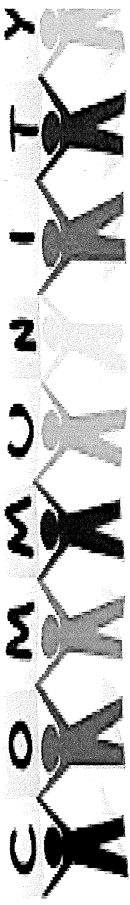
9:00 AM – 3:30 PM, Sat. April 23rd, 2016

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Online pre-registration cost \$10.00 (Lunch included)

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