"""Twitter handle (and profile name): essential prtnrs (essential partners)

Twitter description: Helping people around the globe build trust, understanding, and relationships across differences of values and identities.

Description of the organization from a third party source: "Founded in 1989, Essential Partners equips people to live and work better together in community by building trust and understanding across differences."

Scraped text from their home page of their website: Titles: Home | Essential Partners

Headings: Main Nav; Our Impact; More Impact Stories; Resisting Polarization in an Election Season: A Free Resource; Related Resources; News: How Essential Partners is Taking Dialogue to Scale; Recent Partners; Essential Partners; Join the Conversation

Paragraphs: We give people the means to strengthen relationships, deepen belonging, and renew hope in their communities.; "Dialogue will be a tool to help them integrate into Jordanian culture and to give them a sense of belonging."; Authentic conversations will lead people to reflect on their own thinking and transform their perspectives to include that of others.; Dialogue changed how I think about the way my school runs.... now I know the people running this institution. I know their values. I know their story. There's a whole new level of trust in the institution itself.; There is a need not only for safe space within our churches but for our church leaders who often feel alone, or who may feel their job could be at risk if they engage in controversial conversations. How are they to make safe spaces in their own congregations for healthy dialogue if they rarely experience safe space to do the same?; Partisan polarization (Democrats versus Republicans) turns our huge, complicated, diverse democracy into a political sport where everyone has to pick a side and only one side can win. In this four-part, scaffolded, self-paced curriculum, we will help you develop the internal capacities, skills, and confidence you need to become a positive force in conversations around the election where you live, work, worship, and learn.; "Rather than bringing people out and then have them go back into a dysfunctional system, we're working to change that system from the beginning. And it's a very, very grassroots approach."; EP Co-Executive Director Katie Hyten talks to Beyond Intractability about our theory of change, scaling our impact, the power of student facilitators, our Reflective Structured Dialogue approach-even our name change, from Public Conversations Project to Essential Partners!;; PO Box 400175, Cambridge, MA 02140info@whatisessential.org_x000D_

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Headings: Main Nav; Breadcrumb; About Us; Honors & Awards; Main navigation within sectors; Essential Partners; Join the Conversation

Paragraphs: We give people the means to strengthen relationships, deepen belonging, and renew hope in their communities.; Founded in 1989, Essential Partners helps people build relationships across differences to address their communities' most pressing challenges.; Our proven approach helps people live and work better together. Through richer, healthier, more inclusive dialogue, people strengthen relationships while gaining new insight into themselves and each other as well as the problems they face together. Since our founding in 1989, we have collaborated with a diverse array of partners, including more than; 350 college campuses; 140 workplaces and organizations; 400 local communities; 100 secondary schools; We have collaborated with people across all 50 U.S. States plus Washington, DC, and Puerto Rico as well as 29 other countries, impacting the lives of more than 100,000 people per year.; We believe that the most urgent problems can only be addressed by people who live and work together every day. The strength of relationships rooted in trust and mutual understanding empowers people to address the most pressing challenges-from partisan polarization and political dysfunction to interfaith conflicts and abortion access-without compromising their deepest values or identities. We envision is a world of thriving communities strengthened by difference, connected by trust.; Essential Partners collaborates with civic groups, schools, faith communities, colleges, and organizations to build a culture of connection, a deeper sense of belonging, as well as mutual understanding and trust across differences of values, beliefs, and identities. We do this in several ways:; Find out more about how we work as well as who we work with, or browse our impact stories for real-world examples of our work and its outcomes.; Ready to learn more about how we can help your neighborhood, campus, faith community, or workplace? Take the first step.; Contact us today for a free initial consultation.; Community Peacemaker Award_x000D_

Community Dispute Settlement Center, 2016; D'Alemberte Raven Award_x000D_

American Bar Association section of Dispute Resolution, 2016; The President's Award_x000D_

The Southern California Mediation Association, 2006; Award for Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy_x000D_

The American Family Therapy Academy, 1999; Eureka Mentor Award in Recognition of Dedication, Commitment, and Community Service_x000D_

Eureka Bay Area Communities, 1999; Mary Parker Follett Award for Excellence and Innovation in Dispute Resolution_x000D_

The Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution, 1997; ; ; PO Box 400175, Cambridge, MA 02140info@whatisessential.org_x000D_

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Headings: Main Nav; Breadcrumb; A Brief History of Essential Partners; A Fateful Moment in Time; Becoming Essential Partners; Main navigation within sectors; Essential Partners; Join the Conversation

Paragraphs: In 1989, family therapist Laura Chasin recognized the increasingly dysfunctional, polarized, and dangerous trajectory of American public discourse. Conversations about important issues were not only uncivil, they were disconnected from the complex and contradictory views of everyday people.; Inspired by thinkers like John Dewey and informed by her professional experience as a family therapist, Laura believed that a healthier civic life is possible-one in which people can speak truthfully and compassionately without letting differences of values, perspectives, and identities tear their communities apart.; Laura and a group of colleagues began to research constructive communication patterns and the dynamics of polarization, launching a new research initiative called the Public Conversations Project of the Family Institute of Cambridge.; In their early experimental dialogues, these co-founders convened dozens of dialogues around issue of abortion, bringing together pro-life and pro-choice advocates. Could people who disagree on this topic have robust, nuanced discussions? Could they reduce stereotypes and build relationships?; Through iterative design and extensive research, these founding leaders innovated a dialogue approach that leads to deeper, more open, more civil conversations about divisive issues-an approach that combines elements of family therapy, neuroscience, and mediation, as well as real-world research results. They called their model Reflective Structured Dialogue.; Then, on December 30, 1994, John Salvi entered two women's health clinics in Brookline, MA, with a gun. He opened fire, murdering two people. When the public called for something to be done to address the violence, Laura Chasin, along with her colleagues, launched and co-facilitated a multi-year, confidential dialogue between pro-choice and pro-life leaders in the Greater Boston area.; In the years that followed, Laura and the rest of our founders continued to research, adapt, and apply Reflective Structured Dialogue within a wide range of issues and communities, from a regional environmental preservation conflict to a United Nations conference on women's health.; More than three decades after Laura initiated her research into the dysfunctional patterns of public discourse, our vision remains the same: a world of thriving communities strengthened by difference, connected by trust.; After more than 25 years, Public

Conversations Project had arrived at a crossroads. How could they bring all that they had learned to the world? It was time to re-envision the organization, its scale and potential impact.; The board, leadership, and staff together embarked on a major strategic planning process. With an evolved mission, greater capacity, and three generations of practitioners prepared to work with communities across the globe, the organization emerged, renewed and rebranded, as Essential Partners.; We serve as partners to civic leaders, community stakeholders, and organizations across the globe, equipping them to hold constructive conversations about the values, views, and identities that are most essential to them.; We envision a world of thriving communities strengthened by difference, connected by trust. Ready to begin building a more inclusive, open, and healthier community?; Contact us today for a free consultation.; ; PO Box 400175, Cambridge, MA 02140info@whatisessential.org_x000D_

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Summaries of Links: Essential Partners is an organization dedicated to fostering dialogue and understanding across divides. They offer various services, including consultation, workshops, and events, to help individuals and organizations engage in productive conversations about difficult topics. Their work spans various sectors, including higher education, secondary and middle schools, civic communities, workplace organizations, faith-based communities, and international contexts. Through their programs and resources, Essential Partners aims to promote inclusive communities, reduce polarization, and build bridges between diverse groups."""