

""Twitter handle (and profile name): DMCforCivicLife (David Mathews Center for Civic Life)

Twitter description: Nonpartisan nonprofit in Alabama; we work with local communities & organizations to spark civic engagement & deliberative decision making. RTs not endorsements.

Description of the organization from a third party source: "The David Mathews Center for Civic Life is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, non-partisan, tax-exempt corporation. We build skills, habits, and capacities for more effective civic engagement and innovative decision making. Simply put, we work to strengthen civic life in all 67 Alabama counties. Our programming includes convening and moderating deliberative public forums, hosting reporting-out events, conducting moderator and convener training workshops, and developing youth leadership and community engagement opportunities. The Mathews Center also authors the Alabama Civic Health Index to measure how Alabamians engage with each other and the issues they care about. DMC signature programs equip Alabamians with tools to find strength in themselves, and their fellow citizens, to find solutions to knotty community problems and pressing public issues. Because we believe that Alabamians should play a role in defining the public issues " and their solutions " that affect their daily lives, we listen as much as we speak. Much of our time is spent in Alabama communities working with an ever-growing network of everyday Alabamians in their capacities as small business owners, university professors, educators, service providers, faith-based community members, and more to strengthen civic life in our state. Over the past decade, this diverse group of partners has remained united in a common goal: to work better together in our communities and across our state. We invite you to join us."

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Headings: Where Alabama talks it out.; Our Namesake; Our Programs; What is deliberation?; "Even choosing not to participate affects the game."

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Scraped text from their about page of their website: Titles: About Us - David Mathews Center for Civic Life

Headings: About Us; About Dr. David Mathews; Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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state. We strive to engage all Alabamians, and to remain accessible to anyone interested in participating. We are proud to offer our programs to communities free of charge.; Who are your partners?; We work with a growing network of organizations and individuals of all stripes across Alabama. Because our signature programming is varied, this network often includes school systems, local organizations, community colleges and universities, public institutions, concerned citizens, and other community-based organizations. In past, we have worked with local communities partners including faith-based leaders, small businesses, municipal governments, educators, nonprofit representatives, and various other community stakeholders.; Where are you located?; The David Mathews Center for Civic Life is located on the campus of the American Village - a unique attraction in the heart of Alabama, on 183 acres of rolling pasture in Montevallo, 30 minutes south of Birmingham. The American Village is a nationally pioneering education institution focused on building good citizens through immersive and engaging historical experiences, where visitors discover the power and drama of America's journey for independence, liberty and self-government.; How can I partner with your organization?; If you're interested in learning more about the DMC, or want to partner with us to engage your community, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at dmcccl@mathewscenter.org; 3727 Highway 119Montevallo, AL 35115; Monday - Friday8:30am - 4:30pm; ; dmcccl@mathewscenter.org205-665-9005

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Summaries of Links: Based solely on the provided information, it can be inferred that this organization is likely focused on civic engagement and education. The presence of pages and sections dedicated to community engagement, civic education, and resources for communities and educators suggests that the organization aims to promote active citizenship and civic participation. Additionally, the inclusion of social media links, a donation page, and a PayPal link indicates that the organization seeks to engage with the public, raise funds, and provide resources to support its mission. The use of images and links to external resources further suggests that the organization is actively involved in community outreach and educational initiatives. Overall, the information provided suggests that this organization is dedicated to fostering civic engagement and empowering individuals to participate actively in their communities. ""