

Strengthening Democracy

**Programs improving civic and political participation:
A rapid review. Technical Appendix**



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Table 1: Full search strategy of academic databases

Date of search	Database	Search string	# of search results exported from database	# of search results imported into EPPI Reviewer 6
29/08/2023	Scopus	(TITLE-ABS-KEY((strengthen* OR build*) W/2 ("citizen*" OR civic OR civil OR communit* OR consumer* OR social OR *democra* OR politic*) W/2 (*engag* OR involv* OR activ* OR participat* OR cohesi* OR solidarit* OR resilien* OR relation* OR identif* OR backslid* OR *competen* OR *responsib* OR connectedness OR "self-efficac*" OR capacit*))) AND (TITLE-ABS-KEY(effective* OR importan* OR efficac* OR impact* OR evaluat* OR assess* OR useful* OR increas*) W/4 TITLE-ABS-KEY(intervention* OR policy OR policies OR strateg* OR initiative* OR scheme* OR program* OR project* OR campaign* OR engag* OR involv* OR activ* OR participat* OR "taking part" OR "what works")) AND PUBYEAR > 2011 AND PUBYEAR < 2024 AND (LIMIT-TO(SRCTYPE , "j")) AND (LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "SOCI") OR LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "ENVI") OR LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "BUSI") OR LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "PSYC") OR LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "ECON") OR LIMIT-TO(SUBJAREA , "ARTS")) AND (LIMIT-TO(LANGUAGE , "English"))	1510	1510
29/08/2023	INFORMIT Humanities and Social Science Collection	[All Fields:citizen* OR All Fields:civic OR All Fields:civil OR All Fields:communit* OR All Fields:social OR All Fields:democra*] AND [All Fields:engag* OR All Fields:participat* OR All Fields:cohesi* OR All Fields:resilien*] AND [All Fields:strengthen* OR All Fields:build*] AND [All Fields:effective* OR All Fields:importan* OR All Fields:efficac* OR All Fields:impact* OR All Fields:evaluat* OR All Fields:assess* OR All Fields:useful* OR All Fields:increas*] AND Publication Date: (01/01/2012 TO 12/31/2023) AND Resource Type: Journal	1308	1308
29/08/2023	POLICY database from Analysis & Policy Observatory (APO) (via INFORMIT)	[All Fields:citizen* OR All Fields:civic OR All Fields:civil OR All Fields:communit* OR All Fields:social OR All Fields:democra*] AND [All Fields:engag* OR All Fields:participat* OR All Fields:cohesi* OR All Fields:resilien*] AND [All Fields:strengthen* OR All Fields:build*] AND [All Fields:effective* OR All Fields:importan* OR All Fields:efficac* OR All Fields:impact* OR All Fields:evaluat* OR All Fields:assess* OR All Fields:useful* OR All Fields:increas*] AND Publication Date: (01/01/2012 TO 12/31/2023)	127	127

Figure 1: PRISMA flow chart



