

# 2016 ANNUAL REPORT THE MANY WORKING AS ONE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL



# ABOUT THE CIVIC CANOPY

The Civic Canopy transforms the way pivotal issues are solved by creating a culture of collaboration across Colorado. As a community-based nonprofit, the Canopy's work connects diverse groups of people seeking change in their communities and equips them with tools to create meaningful and lasting impact. The research-based Community Learning Model reinforces the Canopy's three-part platform that: builds connections through shared technology, builds capacity through training and technical assistance, and builds a movement through engagement and advocacy.



#### BUILDING A CULTURE OF COLLABORATION ACROSS COLORADO





# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Civic Canopy team actively engaged in the development of an updated business plan for the organization. Utilizing expertise from partners at Slalom, World Wildlife Federation, and the Open Media Foundation, the Canopy is creating a three-part platform to support collaborative efforts across Colorado that includes building connections through shared technology, building capacity through training and technical assistance, and building a movement through engagement and advocacy. The team is currently working to design a new organizational structure to ensure future success.

#### BUILDING CONNECTIONS THROUGH SHARED TECHNOLOGY

# **Civic Network**

This online tool is designed to support networks, collaboratives, organizations, and individuals who strive to improve their communities through collaboration. The tool supports collaborative efforts and engages partners in discussion and information sharing across issue areas and geographies. Within a month of launching Civic Network, it included 123 individual profiles and 26 networks. Our goal is to reach 500 members by the end of 2017.



Join Civic Network: www.civicnetwork.io

# BUILDING CAPACITY THROUGH TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

#### The Civic Canopy Collective Impact Summit

The Civic Canopy hosted its first multi-day Collective Impact Summit in December in partnership with Tamarack Institute. This event brought together 215 collaborative leaders from across Colorado and beyond. Participants engaged in learning opportunities varying from whole group



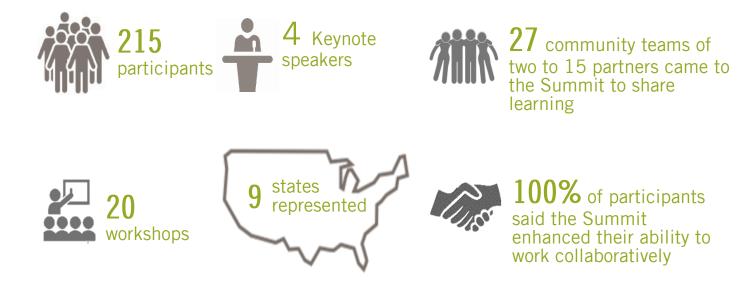
keynote presentations to smaller workshop sessions and one-on-one connections during networking breaks. Each day was highlighted by a keynote presentation or plenary which grounded the learning community with common content.

#### Speakers included:

Karen Pittman, President & CEO, The Forum for Youth Investment Liz Weaver, Director, The Learning Center Mark Cabaj, President, Here to There Edmonton Bill Fulton, Founder & Executive Director, The Civic Canopy

### The Summit by the Numbers

"I can immediately apply the knowledge and tools I picked up. I also love that what I learned can be applied in a variety of contexts beyond collective impact."



# Online Trainings



The Civic Canopy hosted over a **dozen webinars** reaching **hundreds of partners** on a wide range of topics including transformational community engagement, use of technology tools that enhance collaboration, introducing collective impact, and shared measurement through Results Based Accountability.

# Individualized Support



The Civic Canopy provided individualized facilitation and technical assistance to **over 40 organizations and community groups across Colorado**, including the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO), and partners in Prowers, Larimer, Montezuma, Dolores, and Denver Counties.

# Network Stewardship



The Civic Canopy supported **five Denver and statewide networks focused on improving population wellbeing** including the SHARE network, the Early Childhood Colorado Partnership, CO9to25, Colorado Afterschool Partnership, and the Civic Health Network.

# BUILDING A MOVEMENT THROUGH ENGAGEMENT AND ADVOCACY

#### Community-Driven Engagement and Action



The Civic Canopy engaged **over 300 community members in Denver** to participate in and lead community-driven efforts designed to improve individual, neighborhood, and community health and wellbeing through a Health Equity Learning Series, the SHARE Network, and East5ide Unified.

#### YOUR COLLECTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS SUPPORT TRANSFORMATIONAL CHANGE

Thank you to the many individuals, organizations, and communities which have helped The Civic Canopy support *the many working as one for the good of all* in Colorado. We are proud to work with many partners who are working tirelessly every day to make a big difference in the world.

- Stay involved and continue contributing!
- Sign up for the Civic Network and join networks that align with your civic interests.
- Watch for the 2017 Collective Impact Summit dates.
- Support The Civic Canopy through a donation to ensure we can continue our work building a culture of collaboration.
- -: Consider how you can more actively engage in your neighborhood or community to build stronger connections between each other toward a more just and inclusive society.
- Sign up for the Canopy's newsletter to stay informed of training, technology and engagement opportunities

#### Thank you to our foundation partners who have supported our work to build a culture of collaboration across Colorado

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	The Colorado Health Foundation
	The Colorado Trust
Community First Foundation	The Warrington Foundation
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