



THE
**CIVIC
CANOPY**

2026 Canopy Summit

REVIVING DEMOCRACY, RECLAIMING CIVICS

SPONSORSHIP GUIDE

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The Civic Canopy Summit



ABOUT THE 2026 CIVIC CANOPY SUMMIT

Reviving Democracy, Reclaiming Civics

May 21-22nd, 2026

University of Colorado - Colorado Springs

Democracy isn't dead, but it needs some loving. We hear increasingly that people do not feel heard by our government and that our democracy is failing. Some people tune out while others are fighting to the point of burnout. We must find ways to share the load, but just calling for more civic responsibility isn't cutting it. Caring for our community should be something we want to do, not something we have to do. Unlike the marketplace (that's run on money) or the political sphere (run on power), the currency of the civic space is love. **During this year's summit, we'll transform public meetings dominated by yelling, finger-pointing, and name-calling. Instead, we'll reimagine our civic spaces into ones where all of us can decide on our future...together.**

The good news is that it's already happening. We see people harnessing local civic power in our work every day. They may not always call it "civics," but as community members come together to feed, house, and care for people in the place they call home, we see:

- Coalitions defying scarcity by sharing resources
- Community members coming to the table with those they disagree with
- Local institutions handing over decision-making to community members
- Civic innovators piloting new ways of getting voices to the table
- And many, many more ways of voting every day

This gives us hope, and it's time we share that hope. Over two days, we will build upon civic innovation emerging from local communities in Colorado. We will dream with those who have dared to imagine a different future for us. We will turn those dreams into action as we practice civic love and joy.

The 2026 Canopy Summit, Reviving Democracy, Reclaiming Civics, will take place in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on May 21-22nd. The Summit will feature leading speakers in the fields of civics and collaboration, offer 15+ workshops for participants to engage in, and provide intentional space for thought leaders from throughout our state to connect across regions and sectors.

Who We Are

The Civic Canopy is a community-based nonprofit focused on transforming the way we solve society's big, sticky issues. We do this by engaging and connecting diverse groups of people seeking change in their community and equipping them with the tools to create meaningful and lasting impact. Project by project, we aim to create a new culture across Colorado that centers around elevating often unheard and underrepresented voices, designing spaces that foster understanding and trust, and mobilizing towards collective action that results in systemic change. **Learn more about us and our approach at [civicanopy.org](https://www.civicanopy.org).**



Who Attends the Summit?

DIVERSE CHANGEMAKERS ACROSS COLORADO

With over 20 years of collective experience working in 59 out of Colorado's 64 counties, The Civic Canopy has established itself as an authority for building collaborative processes that lead to meaningful change. Our network is comprised of collaboration stewards, coalitions, and community members who are doing the work to impact social change. While our focus remains on affecting change within the state of Colorado, we welcome attendees from across our state lines.

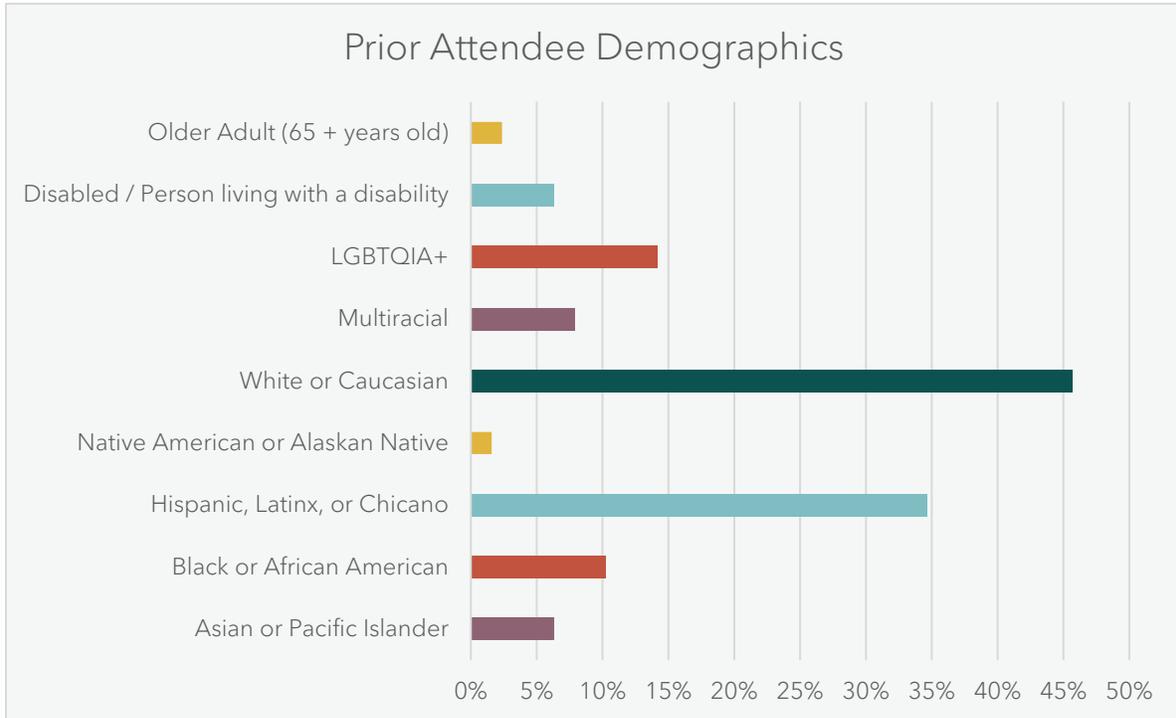
The Summit attracts diverse attendees from a wide variety of backgrounds, including government, nonprofit, private enterprise, and community members. For example, across the 133 attendees in 2024:

- 50% described themselves as a community changemaker, young person under 24 years old, on a fixed income, or working for a small nonprofit, local government office, or business
- 58% identified as Black, Indigenous, and/or People of Color
- 14% identified as LGBTQIA+
- 6% identified as disabled or as a person living with a disability
- 57 different zip codes were represented from across the state
- 10% selected Spanish as their preferred language. Simultaneous interpretation is provided for all Canopy event offerings, further expanding our reach to audiences from the second most spoken language in our state.

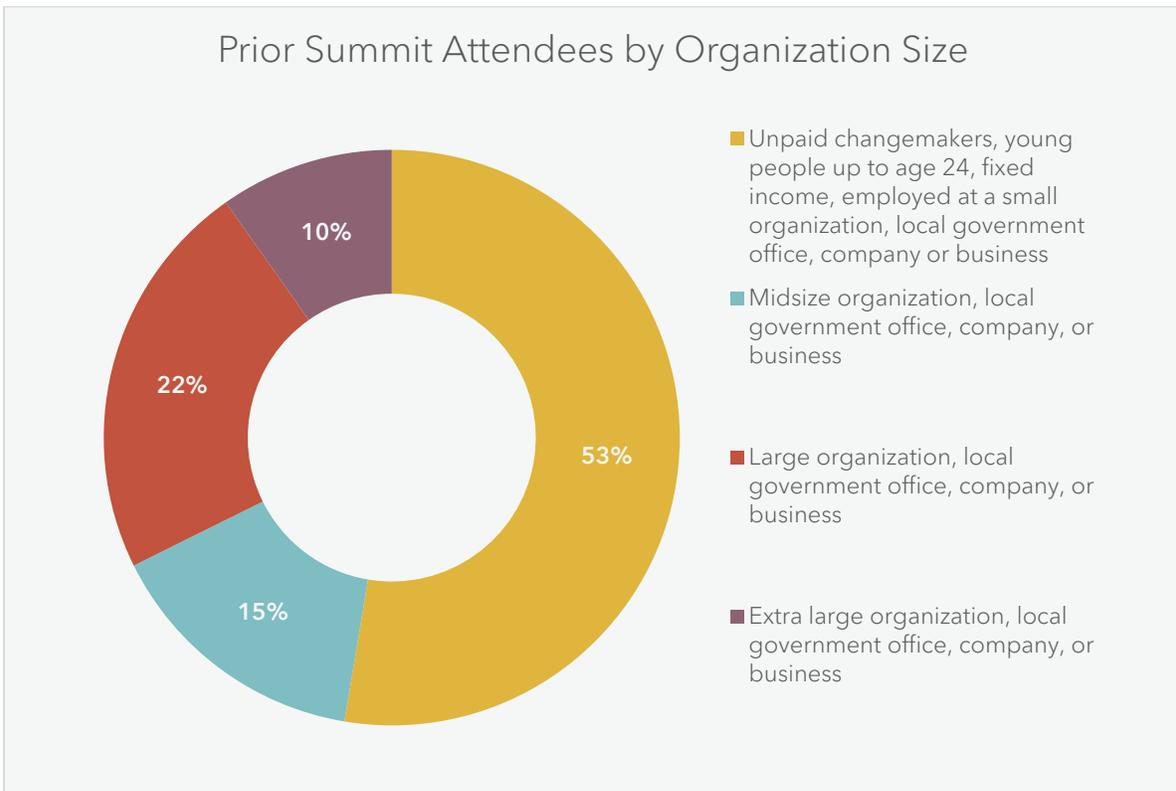
The following charts provide more information on specific attendee groups.



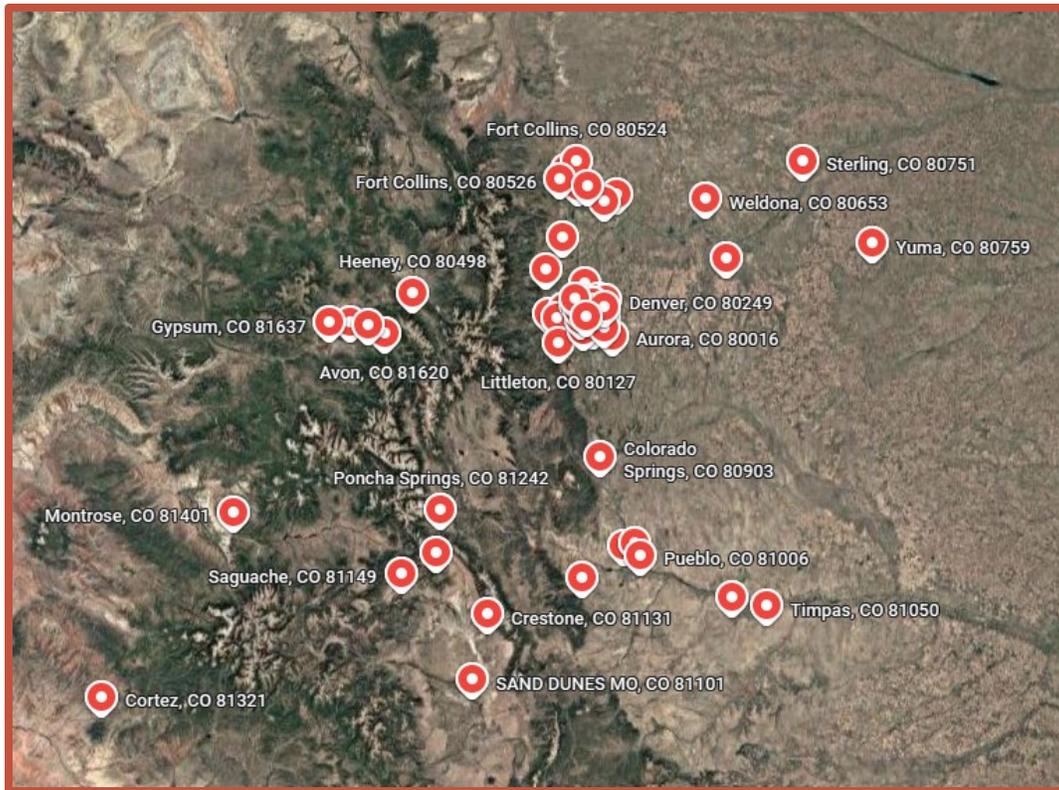
DEMOGRAPHICS



ORGANIZATION SIZE



REGION



Benefits of Sponsorship

- Promote your brand across the state of Colorado
- Show your commitment to Colorado's civic culture
- Align yourself with those dedicated to making a difference, regardless of political affiliation
- Reach key audiences in new ways
- Strengthen your relationship with community changemakers
- Enable participation of those attendees farthest from thriving

Sponsorship Tiers

		Champion	Catalyst	Collaborator	Community
	Reach	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$2,000	Purchase 3+ tickets at the Redistribution level
Platform					
Online Promotion					
Social Media	3,000	Individual Spotlight	Individual Spotlight	Group Spotlight	Group Spotlight
Newsletter	2500	Large	Medium	Medium	Small
Website		Large	Medium	Medium	Small
Event Promotion					
Event Program	~150	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rotating Slideshow	~150	✓	✓	✓	
Event Booth	~150	✓	✓		
Event Signage	~150	✓			
Canopy Summit Tickets					
Tickets		10	5	2	3+

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