

Colorado 2012 Grants List

Regular Grants

9to5 National Association of Working Women (Two Year Grant) **\$70,000**

General Support. 9to5's mission is to build a movement for economic justice by engaging directly affected women to improve working conditions. We combine grassroots organizing, policy campaigns, civic engagement, public education, and leadership development in efforts to strengthen the safety net for working families and to improve employment policies, while laying the basis for long term goals, especially the creation of family-supporting jobs and the elimination of all forms of discrimination and oppression.

Center for Civic Policy **\$35,000**

General Support. Our vision is for New Mexicans to live life with happiness, safety and opportunity; to make our state more socially responsible and just. Our mission is to increase civic engagement by 1) developing and implementing a series of strategic initiative campaigns on important issues related to the role of government: tax/budget, Medicaid, environmental policy/regulations and 2) by driving the C3 Civic Engagement Table's strategic nonpartisan electoral and non-electoral campaigns and projects.

Colorado Civic Engagement Roundtable **\$37,000**

General Support. The Colorado Civic Engagement Roundtable (Roundtable) exists to create a more equitable, inclusive Colorado by increasing the vote share of the Rising American electorate and changing the issue environment. This work is done primarily through a permanent coalition structure which consists of 43 non-partisan nonprofit groups who share a commitment to civic participation. The Roundtable engages in non partisan activities-it does not engage in candidate or political party activities.

Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition **\$35,000**

General Support. Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition (CIRC)'s mission to build a unified statewide movement to defend and advance immigrant justice in Colorado and the United States through capacity building for member organizations, broad-based strategic alliances, rapid response to raids and repression, strategic communications and winning public policies that improve the lives of immigrants.

Colorado Progressive Coalition **\$15,000**

Civic Engagement and Leadership Development. To support CPC's year-round civic engagement efforts, including leadership of and participation in the Latino Working Group, and work to build the civic engagement pipeline in Colorado.

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Common Cause Education Fund **\$28,000**

General Support. Common Cause is dedicated to restoring the core values of American democracy, reinventing an open, honest and accountable government that serves the public interest, and empowering ordinary people to make their voices heard in the political process.

Companeros: Four Corners Immigrant Resource Center **\$10,000**

General Support. The mission of Companeros: Four Corners Immigrant Resource Center is to create positive social change by supporting all immigrants and their loved ones through advocacy, education, and integrative programs.

Front Range Economic Strategy Center **\$35,000**

General Support. FRESC's vision is that all people in Colorado have jobs that pay livable wages with family-supporting benefits, have housing that is affordable, have the maximum opportunity to a good quality of life and a voice in the decisions that affect them.

Great Education Colorado Fund **\$25,000**

General Support. The primary goal of Great Education Colorado is to improve public education (preschool through higher education) with increased resources supporting well-targeted investments in our students, including but not limited to: Quality preschool for 3 and 4-year olds*, full-day kindergarten* (*critical for at-risk children), professional support of teachers, adequate number of counselors, appropriate technology and accessible higher education opportunities.

Hispanic Affairs Project **\$15,000**

General Support. The Hispanic Affairs Project (HAP) is a grassroots base organization dedicated to supporting the social development of the Hispanic immigrant community through a focus on leadership formation, community organizing and advocacy.

Metro Organizations for People (Together Colorado) **\$20,000**

General Support. Metro Organizations for People (MOP) was founded in 1978 with the mission of empowering ordinary people to strengthen and transform their communities through community organizing. MOP is currently comprised of 32 member congregations, schools, youth and neighborhood associations representing 55,000 people in the seven-county Metro Denver region and a growing base of congregations throughout Colorado organized through our PICO CO Clergy Action Network.

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Mi Familia Vota Education Fund

\$15,000

General Support. Mi Familia Vota Education Fund (MFVEF) is a national non-profit organization working to unite the Latino community and its allies to promote social and economic justice through increased civic participation.

New Era Colorado Foundation

\$35,000

General Support. New Era Colorado is a multi-issue organization committed to engaging, educating, and training a new generation of active citizens and young leaders in Colorado. We are a full-spectrum civic engagement organization; we provide the resources and tools for young people to gain collective power in all levels of the democratic process, including issue organizing, electoral organizing, and the legislative process.

ProgressNow Colorado Education

\$15,000

General Support. ProgressNow Colorado Education aims to provide progressive solutions to critical community problems. We inform, engage, and mobilize Coloradans on the progressive policy issues of the day and break down complex policies such as health care or Colorado's budget to educate all Coloradans. We also teach nonprofit organizations to be more effective communicators as means to support the progressive Colorado infrastructure.

Rights for All People

\$15,000

General Support. RAP's major purpose is to bring the voices of immigrants to the struggle for justice for all Coloradans. This year we will integrate our civic engagement with our issue campaigns to effectively build power. Our leaders will identify a community need that we can win, and that will form a campaign.

State Voices

(Two Year Grant) \$70,000

General Support. State Voices is an innovative national network--built from the states up--that helps grassroots organizations win shared policy and civic engagement victories and build long-term power.

Discretionary Grants

Centro Humanitario Para Los Trabajadores

\$10,000

General Support. Centro Humanitario engages day laborers through education, job skill development and leadership, united action and advocacy. The ultimate goal is to develop a sense of community and self-sufficiency among members and foster worker ownership over the governance of the organization. El Centro is determined to build its base of members and supporters to strengthen our capacity and work effectively as partners with other organizations in Colorado dedicated to policy change and social justice.

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Colorado Civic Engagement Roundtable **\$35,000**

Engage underrepresented communities in voting. Engage Colorado aims for full participation of the Rising American Electorate, composed of African Americans, Latinos, single women, and young voters. These voters continue to fall behind other communities in engagement and face deceptive voting practices and intimidation. Engage 2012 will increase participation, provide a way for all people to participate in our democracy, and continue to bring innovation to the field of non-partisan voter engagement.

Colorado Donor Alliance **\$500**

Colorado Donor Alliance Membership Dues.

Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition **\$10,000**

To increase civic participation of New American and Latino communities in Colorado. CIRC is a statewide, membership-based coalition of immigrant, faith, labor, youth, and ally organizations founded in 2002 to build a unified statewide voice to improve the lives of immigrants and refugees. CIRC serves as the Colorado umbrella for immigration policy advocacy, communications, civic participation and base building.

Companeros: Four Corners Immigrant Resource Center **\$6,000**

Fundraising and Financial Management Capacity. The mission of Companeros: Four Corners Immigrant Resource Center is to create positive social change by supporting all immigrants and their loved ones through advocacy, education, and integrative programs. This project's purpose is to build the financial literacy, financial capacity and fundraising prowess of Companeros.

Public Interest Projects **\$2,500**

2012 Funders Committee on Civic Participation Membership Dues.

Air Traffic Control **\$10,000**

Support for The Culture Group. The Culture Group (TCG), a collaboration of social change experts and creative producers, joined together formally in September 2010 to advance progressive change through expansive, strategic and values-driven cultural organizing. TCG identifies, studies and deploys effective models for increasing the creative industries' and individuals' participation in the progressive movement.