New Mexico Pathways to Opportunity Strategy Table

Overview

The New Mexico Pathways to Opportunity Strategy Table was formed in 2021. It’s composed of representatives from the following national, regional and local funders: the LANL Foundation; the Marshall L. and Perrine D. McCune Charitable Foundation; the Santa Fe Community Foundation; the Annie E. Casey Foundation; the Carl and Marilynn Thoma Foundation; the Daniels Fund; the Thornburg Foundation; the Los Alamos National Laboratory Community Partnership Office; Anchorum St. Vincent; Groundworks New Mexico and the Aspen Institute Forum for Community Solutions.

The Strategy Table’s goal is to expand and improve access to college, career and community pathway opportunities for youth of color, opportunity youth, young parents and other underrepresented youth middle school age through age 29 in Northern New Mexico. Northern New Mexico includes San Miguel County, Mora County, Taos County, Rio Arriba County, Santa Fe County, Los Alamos County, Bernalillo County and the 18 Pueblos, Tribes and Nations located in those counties.

To achieve greater impact for the population described above, the Strategy Table partners seek to better coordinate, align and leverage regional grantmaking and investments in and across the following eight intervention areas:

- Work-based learning
- College preparation support
- College completion support
- High School/GED completion support
- Career pathways and Career Technical Education (CTE)
- Youth development and leadership
- Entrepreneurship training
- Access to financial tools

Toward this end, the Strategy Table will engage in the following tactics:

- Completing mapping and analysis of philanthropic and public investments and other funding in Northern New Mexico focused on the eight interventions;
- Developing coordinated investment strategies and measures for the Strategy Table members to enhance investments and impact;
- Developing a framework to improve collaboration among the Strategy Table members;
- Engaging in shared learning and
- Engaging youth middle school age through age 29, service providers and employers.