OUR MISSION:
We make a healthy difference in communities by advancing health equity and improving the conditions where people live, learn, work and play.

OUR APPROACH:
We invest in communities experiencing significant health inequities through collaboration with grantee partners who have the greatest potential for impact.
HEALTH HAPPENS IN THE COMMUNITY

Of all the factors that influence health, socioeconomic factors account for a full 40% of health outcomes. That’s our focus.

Source: County Health Rankings Model, 2014, University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute
DESPITE WHAT WE KNOW, HEALTH SPENDING HAPPENS DOWNSTREAM

Source: McGinnis, et al., Health Affairs, 2002
OUR FOCUS

1) Healthy Connections – Safe and welcoming communities promote thriving people

2) Access to Coverage – Universal coverage is vital to the health of Minnesotans

3) Healthy Start – It’s more than education – it’s a key driver of health

Photo: La RED Latina de Educación Temprana MN
Healthy Start

Our Goal: To make a healthy difference in communities by advancing health equity in early childhood care and education.

We fund at the intersection of:
1. Health Equity
2. Early childhood care and education
3. Systems change

Photo: Community-University Health Care Center
HEALTHY START
FUNDING STRATEGY

Increase access to:
• Child care slots
• Child care providers
• Financial support to providers
• Engaged prospective providers

Increase quality of care through:
• Training, coaching and TA for providers (licensed and FFN)
• Provider quality efforts
• Building leadership skills among parents
• Culturally relevant child care
• Parent Aware ratings
• Systems-level efforts
WHAT’S WORKING

ACCESS
Over 600 new childcare slots created

TRAINING
Over 1,000 childcare providers trained in quality and over 4,000 hours of coaching provided

LICENSING
27 new licensed childcare providers

QUALITY
90 providers received or improved a Parent Aware rating

Photo: Little Earth Residents Association
THANK YOU.

Photo: Northland Foundation

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