



DEANE EARLY LEARNING EQUITY GRANT



The Denver Foundation

GRANT OPPORTUNITY

Through the Deane Early Learning Equity Grant, the Deane Family Fund at The Denver Foundation aims to address systemic barriers within early learning environments for Colorado children from birth to eight years of age who come from Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities.

Through this opportunity, the Deane Family Fund expects to select three qualified 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organizations working to support early systems change within early learning environments at the state, regional, or community level.

Each organization will receive an award totaling \$300,000, to be distributed via an annual award of \$100,000 for three years.

APPLY ONLINE

Applications must be submitted online. You will need to register on The Denver Foundation's [grant application portal](#) before completing your online application. Go to [denverfoundation.org](#) for more information about the portal, [FAQ](#), and instructions on registering.

For support using the online system, please email help@denverfoundation.org or call 303.300.1790 for assistance.

DUE DATE

Applications must be submitted online by July 22, 2022 by 5:00pm MST.

THE DENVER FOUNDATION

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As a tax-exempt, nonprofit, philanthropic organization, The Denver Foundation stewards more than 1,000 funds established by engaged philanthropists. In partnership with the foundation, our donors make gifts to organizations throughout the Seven-county Metro Denver region, across Colorado, and beyond.

MISSION

We inspire people and mobilize resources to strengthen our community.

OUR VISION

A Metro Denver that is racially equitable in its leadership, prosperity, and culture.

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FUNDING PRIORITIES

We seek proposals for innovative programs that adopt new strategies to reduce systemic barriers for BIPOC children and their families. This may include implementing an existing program in a new context, or testing an entirely new idea.

ELIGIBILITY

This opportunity is open to organizations from across Colorado that have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, or are fiscally sponsored by a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization.

We encourage applications from BIPOC-led organizations and/or those who have meaningfully partnered with BIPOC-led community organizations for project design and implementation.

NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

- Capital projects
- Child care/early learning tuition
- K-12 public, private, or charter schools
- Supplies or materials
- Operational costs, including salaries/benefits, for existing operations or programs not related to the specific intent of this funding opportunity

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please be prepared to provide:

- Your organization's mission
- A detailed summary of your proposed work
- Your organization's current budget and, if applicable, a project budget

You will be required to respond to the following questions:

- What is the systemic barrier within the early learning environment you are hoping to address? How will your initiative address the systemic barrier you have identified?
- What does success look like at the end of three years? What outcomes do you expect to achieve?



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