



ABOUT THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR ATTAINMENT

Lumina's Community Partnership for Attainment work aims to **deepen the impact of cross-sector, place-based efforts to increase higher education attainment** in communities and cities across the country. Lumina's mission is to expand access and success in education beyond high school, particularly among adults, first-generation college students, low-income students and students of color. This mission is directed toward reaching Goal 2025—to increase the proportion of Americans with high-quality postsecondary degrees and credentials to 60 percent by the year 2025. To reach an attainment rate of 60 percent by 2025, the nation must produce 62 million high-quality postsecondary credentials, including both college degrees (associate & bachelor's) and certificates that lead to further education or employment—an additional 23 million over expected production. Because cities are home to two-thirds of the country's population, and drive more than three-quarters of the nation's

economy, bolstering efforts to increase higher education attainment within them is critical to reaching Goal 2025.

There is no shortage of energy around higher education solutions, though relatively few communities have deeply embraced these solutions, and fewer still have organized to plan and implement them in an integrated fashion. Likewise, a growing number of organizations with experience in promoting higher education attainment and/or community transformation at the national level are working in communities – an excellent movement, but a limited and potentially chaotic one due to mission limitations and niches of those national organizations. Working through 2016, the Partnership will **strengthen place-based, cross-sector attainment efforts while better-integrating the organizations working on them, and the knowledge gained from them, in 75 cities across the country.**

The Community Partnership for Attainment is built around three pillars for community engagement.

The first is Partnership Health. Whether communities utilize Collective Impact or home-grown collaboration strategies, the objectives remain the same—communities must work collaboratively to set and achieve common goals, utilize agreed-upon accountability tools and measures, and utilize data to make decisions about program direction and design.

The second pillar is Equity. Communities need to explicitly identify and develop action plans to address chronic attainment gaps between populations, particularly between racial and ethnic groups.

The final pillar is Attainment. By this, we mean that communities must move toward addressing both access and success for students, with the ultimate objective being college completion. Access alone is insufficient—this work requires communities to move toward improving credential completion to maximize impact. And without improving access to postsecondary institutions, especially for students

who have been underserved in the past, our work will not create the kind of social change we all want to see.

To achieve CPA's site-level goal, cohorts of cities working on cross-sector, place-based efforts to increase attainment will receive assistance –financial, strategic, and technical – to bolster their efforts. **Sites will set ambitious yet achievable higher education attainment goals, and receive support to plan and implement an integrated approach to meet their goals.** The sites will receive a common set of frameworks, data and principles to aid their work, in addition to access to a set of technical assistance providers; a network of cities within their cohort; convenings, webinars, learning labs and other structures to advance their work while promoting cross-initiative learning. All sites will adhere to a set of common metrics, while also identifying their own metrics based on their strategies. Lastly, the sites will commit to sharing what they are learning through reporting, evaluation and storytelling

Communities currently participation in the Community Partnership for Attainment are:

Cohort #1

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Mission: Graduate

Grantee Organization: United Way of Central New Mexico

Boston, Massachusetts

Success Boston

Grantee Organization: The Boston Foundation

Buffalo, New York

Say Yes to Education Buffalo

Grantee Organization: Community Foundation of Greater Buffalo

Cincinnati, Ohio

The Strive Partnership

Grantee Organization: KnowledgeWorks Foundation

Columbus, Indiana

Community Education Coalition

Grantee Organization: Columbus Learning Center Management Corporation

Dayton, Ohio

Learn to Earn Dayton

Grantee Organization: The University of Dayton

Ft. Wayne, Indiana

Big Goal Collaborative

Grantee Organization: Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership

Greensboro, North Carolina

Degrees Matter!

Grantee Organization: Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro

Houston, Texas

My Degree Counts

Grantee Organization: Center for Houston's Future

Kalamazoo, Michigan

The Learning Network of Greater Kalamazoo

Grantee Organization: W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

Louisville, Kentucky

55,000 Degrees

Grantee Organization: The Community Foundation of Louisville

Memphis, Tennessee

Collaborative Action Network

Grantee Organization: City of Memphis, Mayor's Office of Talent and Human Capital

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Talent Greater Philly

Grantee Organization: The Philadelphia Foundation

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The Pittsburgh Promise

Grantee Organization: The Pittsburgh Foundation

Providence, Rhode Island

Providence Children and Youth Cabinet

Grantee Organization: Brown University

Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois

Quad Cities Goal 2025

Grantee Organization: Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce

San Antonio, Texas

SA2020

Grantee Organization: SA2020

Santa Ana, California

Santa Ana Partnership

Grantee Organization: Santa Ana College

South Seattle/South King County, WA

The Road Map Project

Grantee Organization: Community Center for Education Results

Syracuse, New York

Say Yes to Education Syracuse

Grantee Organization: Syracuse University

Cohort #2

Akron, Ohio

Summit Education Initiative

Grantee Organization: Summit Education Initiative (SEI)

Albany, New York

The Albany Promise

Grantee Organization: Research Foundation for the State University of New York

Austin, Texas

Quality of Life Foundation of Austin

Grantee Organization: Austin Chamber of Commerce

Berkeley, California

2020 Vision for Berkeley's Children and Youth

Grantee Organization: City of Berkeley

Central Florida (Orlando)

Central Florida College Access Network

Grantee Organization: Heart of Florida United Way

Chicago, Illinois*Thrive Chicago***Grantee Organization:** Robert R. McCormick Foundation**Cleveland, Ohio***Higher Education Compact of Greater Cleveland***Grantee Organization:** College Now Greater Cleveland**Coachella Valley, California***Coachella Valley Regional Plan for College and Career Readiness***Grantee Organization:** Coachella Valley Economic Partnership**Columbia, South Carolina***Graduation Imperative***Grantee Organization:** Central Carolina Community Foundation**Corpus Christi, Texas***Citizens for Educational Excellence***Grantee Organization:** Citizens for Educational Excellence**Dallas, Texas***Commit!***Grantee Organization:** Commit!2Dallas**Denver, Colorado***Denver College Access and Success Collaborative***Grantee Organization:** Denver Scholarship Foundation**Detroit, Michigan***Excellent Schools Detroit Coalition***Grantee Organization:** Excellent Schools Detroit**Grand Rapids, Michigan***To College, Through College Initiative***Grantee Organization:** City of Grand Rapids – Our Community's Children**Hartford, Connecticut***Achieve Hartford!***Grantee Organization:** Achieve Hartford!**Jacksonville, Florida***Innovate Northeast Florida***Grantee Organization:** Jacksonville Chamber Foundation**Kansas City, Missouri***Metro Kansas City Higher Education Collaborative***Grantee Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council Community Services Corporation**Las Vegas, Nevada***Las Vegas Healthy Communities Coalition***Grantee Organization:** United Way of Southern Nevada**Los Angeles, California***L.A. Compact***Grantee Organization:** UNITE-LA in strategic alliance with the L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce**Milwaukee, Wisconsin***Milwaukee Succeeds***Grantee Organization:** Greater Milwaukee Committee for Community Development**Nashville, Tennessee***Middle Tennessee Regional Workforce Alliance and Skills Panel***Grantee Organization:** Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce**New Hampshire***Smarter Pathways to an Educated Workforce Initiative***Grantee Organization:** New Hampshire Charitable Foundation**New York City, New York***Graduate NYC!***Grantee Organization:** Research Foundation of the City University of New York**Newark, New Jersey***Newark City of Learning Collaborative***Grantee Organization:** Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies, Rutgers University – Newark**Northwest IN***READY NW!***Grantee Organization:** The Center of Workforce Innovations**Phoenix, Arizona***Thriving Together***Grantee Organization:** Valley of the Sun United Way**Portland, Oregon***All Hands Raised***Grantee Organization:** All Hands Raised**Richmond, Virginia***Bridging Richmond***Grantee Organization:** Virginia Commonwealth University Foundation**Rio Grande Valley, Texas***RGV FOCUS***Grantee Organization:** Communities Foundation of Texas, Inc. (dba Educate Texas)**Salt Lake City, Utah***A Capital City Education: Cultivating College, Career and Civic Readiness***Grantee Organization:** Salt Lake City Education Foundation**Savannah, Georgia***Chatbam Community Partnership for Attainment***Grantee Organization:** Armstrong State University**Southwest Florida***FutureMakers***Grantee Organization:** Southwest Florida Community Foundation

Spokane, Washington

EXCElerate Success

Grantee Organization: United Way of Spokane County

Washington DC

Raise DC

Grantee Organization: Community Foundation for the National Capital Region

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

The Forsyth Promise

Grantee Organization: United Way of Forsyth County

CPA Cohort #3

Atlanta, Georgia

Achieve Atlanta

Grantee Organization: The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta

Birmingham, Alabama

Alabama Possible

Grantee Organization: Alabama Poverty Project, Inc.

Boise, Idaho

Treasure Valley Education Partnership

Grantee Organization: United Way of Treasure Valley, Inc.

Charleston, South Carolina

Tri-County Cradle to Career Collaborative (TCCCC)

Grantee Organization: College of Charleston Foundation

Charlotte, North Carolina

Centralina Partnership for Attainment and Career Pathways

Awareness Initiative

Grantee Organization: Centralina Council of Governments

Durham, North Carolina

Made in Durham

Grantee Organization: MDC Inc.

Fresno, California

Fresno Area Strive

Grantee Organization: Fresno Compact/Fresno Area Strive

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Generation Next

Grantee Organization: Greater Twin Cities United Way

Mobile, Alabama

The Education Commission

Grantee Organization: Mobile Area Education Foundation, Inc.

Monterey Bay, California

Bright Futures

Grantee Organization: California State University, Monterey Bay

Racine, Wisconsin

Higher Expectations

Grantee Organization: United Way of Racine County

Rockford, Illinois

Alignment Rockford

Grantee Organization: Alignment Rockford

Shasta County, California

Expect More Tehama/Reach Higher Shasta

Grantee Organization: Shasta College

Southern Indiana

Education Matters Southern IN

Grantee Organization: Harrison County Community Foundation

Springfield, Missouri

Blue Ribbons/Red Flags

Grantee Organization: Community Foundation of the Ozarks

St. Louis, Missouri

St. Louis Graduates & St. Louis Regional Chamber

Grantee Organization: The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis

Tampa Bay, Florida

Hillsborough College Access Network

Grantee Organization: Community Foundation of Tampa Bay, Inc.

Tulsa, Oklahoma

Impact Tulsa

Grantee Organization: Tulsa's Future Inc./Tulsa Regional Chamber

Tyler, Texas

Tyler Area Business Education Council

Grantee Organization: Tyler Area P-16 Council