



Overview of Denver Office of Strategic Partnerships (DOSP)

The Denver Office of Strategic Partnerships (DOSP) was created in January 2004 by Mayor Hickenlooper to serve as a liaison between the City of Denver and the nonprofit sector. DOSP serves as a catalyst to leverage the best of Denver's public and nonprofit sectors to engage in innovative and collaborative work. DOSP believes that by working collectively, the public and nonprofit sectors can be even more efficient and effective in strengthening Denver's communities.

DOSP accomplishes these objectives through:

- **Connecting Government and Community:** *Building relationships, understanding, and capacity for the City and nonprofits to effectively work together*
 - Getting to Know Local Government: Highlighting City Agencies
 - Nonprofit Training: Effectively Working with the City
 - City Training: Effectively Working with Nonprofits
 - Capacity Building to Contract with the City
 - Issue Briefings for City Agencies
 - E-Newsletter and Website
- **Supporting Collaboration:** *Working with City agencies and nonprofits to initiate and support ongoing collaborative efforts*
 - Youth Mentoring Collaborative
 - Teen Pregnancy Prevention Partnership
 - Neighborhood Energy Action Partnership
 - Denver Transit Oriented Development Fund
- **Maximizing Resources:** *Leveraging and coordinating resources around federal competitive grants and nonprofit resource and space sharing*
 - Nonprofit Energy Efficiency Program
 - Denver Shared Space Project
 - Distribute \$2 million annually to local nonprofits
 - Competitive Grants Coordination and Capacity Building
 - Manage Randall Funding grant writing contract
 - Coordinate with federal lobbyist on grants
 - Group of Ten and Six in the City capacity building
 - Fellowship in Grants Research and Development
 - Quarterly Training on ARRA and Federal competitive grants
- **Improving Community Need and Asset Analysis:** *Ensuring that nonprofits and City agency resources are effectively utilized to meet Census outreach goals in 2010 and helping the community use that data in future work*
 - Complete Count Committee
 - Census publicity and community outreach
 - Census data analysis to support collaborative efforts