



New Mexico Health Equity Partnership – 2020



Community driven research efforts to inform policy.

Health Impact Assessment efforts

- The New Mexico Birth Equity Collaborative began a Health Impact Assessments to advance policy and systems change on birth equity. HEP provided funding, participated in NMBC partner sessions, provided HIA 101 education, and co-contributed to core team planning meetings.
- McKinley Community Health Alliance began a Health Impact Assessments to advance policy and systems change on housing issues in Gallup. HEP provided funding, virtual HIA 101 education, and ongoing technical assistance.

Indigenous HIA toolkit

- The HEP team in collaboration with Roanhorse Consulting, HIA TA providers, and partners co-designed a working version of an Indigenous HIA toolkit. We will continue to build on this in 2021 and are contracting with an Indigenous artist to graphically represent the process.

HIA follow up efforts

- As a follow up to the Tularosa Basin Downwinder's HIA on the amendments to the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, they produced a [video for the 75th Anniversary of the Trinity test](#) to memorialize the people who have lost their lives because of the overexposure to radiation from Trinity. HEP provided resources and technical assistance to the team.
- As a follow up to their HIA on Equitable Development and Risk of Displacement, Chainbreaker released a research brief on Health, Healing, and Housing in Santa Fe in partnership with Human Impact Partners and HEP. Additionally, Chainbreaker and Human Impact Partners published the first in a series of research briefs titled: Evictions in the COVID-19 era: A threat to family and community health in Santa Fe. The virtual webinar report release in collaboration with HEP, UNM Law School, and the City of Santa Fe can be viewed [here](#).

Other Reports

- HEP staff compiled a literature review on the health impacts of gentrification to complement community narratives collected by Little Globe which will inform a report to the City of Santa Fe's Historic Preservation Department.

- HEP staff served on the Santa Fe Action Housing Coalition advisory committee and outreach committee. The SFAHC will release a white paper on housing soon.

Creating critical connections to advance health equity.

Convenings

- HEP in partnership with the Notah Begay III Foundation conducted seven gatherings with Native Youth on the Move where HEP partners facilitated sessions and offered tools (photovoice, storytelling, graphic harvesting) designed to reclaim narratives and inform policy change.
- New Mexico Women.ORG, Santa Fe Community Foundation – HUB, and HEP co-hosted AT THE HEART: Gender Justice and the Philanthropic Response to COVID-19. You can view the session [here](#). HEP was honored to be a contributor to the *Gender Justice at the Heart of New Mexico's Recovery report*.
- HEP connected the SFCF HUB to HEP partners to facilitate sessions with an equity lens. In December, Mabel Gonzales and HEP staff co-facilitated a session titled, *Utilizing Photovoice for Grant Writing and Reporting*. You can view the session [here](#).
- HEP staff co-created mid-week meet up with SFCF peers to build community and learn new tools and about critical issues. Twenty-six sessions were held and HEP partners such as Chainbreaker, Doña Ana Communities United, Mavel Photography, etc. facilitated and spoke at sessions.
- HEP partners continued to strengthen skills in graphic harvesting to document work, communicate across generations and cultural backgrounds, and to build capacity for communities to tell their own stories. HEP co-hosted an in-person gathering in collaboration with Opportunity Santa Fe and three virtual trainings as part of mid-week meet. HEP also provided opportunities (i.e. NB3F gatherings) for graphic artists to practice and be compensated for their talents. Graphic artists were also featured in the HEP summer newsletter series.
- HEP supported partners to participate in trainings focused on racial equity, design of meaningful online experiences, and the International Forum of Visual Practitioners summer series.

Collaborative Statewide Effort

- HEP continued to work on Healthy Masculinities as part of a statewide collaborative with Tewa Women United, Together for Brothers, Transgender Resource Center of New Mexico, and New Mexico Women.ORG.

Communications Platforms

1. HEP elevated community stories and disseminated promising practices via our communications platforms. HEP shared 12 newsletters (one monthly) and 3 press releases with 648 recipients. Via social media 443 posts were made on Facebook with 667 followers and 57 Instagram posts were made with 141 viewers. The HEP website had 7,713 page views.

Distributed resources to communities to advance health equity and respond to urgent needs tied to the pandemic.

Place-based Teams

- Doña Ana Communities United, McKinley Collaborative for Health Equity, or San Juan Collaborative for Health Equity addressed health equity issues important to them and responded to the COVID-19 pandemic by fostering social connections, mutual aid efforts, and food sovereignty and food distribution in their respective communities. HEP supported these efforts with resources and virtual spaces for peer learning.

Funder Collaborative Grantmaking

- With HEP serving in the coordinator role, Con Alma Health Foundation deployed over 1 million dollars in (WKKF & RWJF) funds via two COVID-19 relief efforts to rural, immigrant, and communities of color. HEP coordinated with SFCF to provide funds to 7 applicants in the NE region that CAHF was not able to fund.