



Colorado Health Foundation Healthy Places Grant update

December 17, 2018

Background

- **Council Goal:** Preserve and nurture a quality community to improve resident health and safety
- **Objective:** Active Living/Healthy Lifestyles
- **Healthy Places** helps Colorado communities become healthier by creating opportunities to increase physical activity



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- The Healthy Places initiative aims to transform the places where we live, work and play and make our cities, towns and neighborhoods safer and more appealing to walking, bicycling and other daily activities that encourage movement, connection and fun



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- Commerce City is one of four Colorado communities selected to receive a Healthy Places grant in 2018:
 - Planning grant \$20,000
 - Implementation grant - \$1,105,000



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- Over 85 individuals interviewed as part of the panel site visit



ULI Panel Site Visit Outcomes

- What can the Commerce City Healthy Places coalition do to connect underserved community members with existing facilities and resources?
- What are the existing barriers to healthy eating/active living opportunities—real and perceived?
- Are there community safety concerns (real or perceived) that can be addressed through projects and programming that evolves from the Commerce City Healthy Places initiative?
- What operational and policy changes should Commerce City consider making to continue efforts to enhance connectivity, access, and safety after the grant cycle has ended?



Healthy Places Implementation strategy

- City staff & representatives from Cultivando developed the implementation strategy based on the ULI final report & feedback from the community submitting projects & programs to the Colorado Health Foundation on August 16, 2018
- The Colorado Health Foundation approved the implementation strategy in October resulting in the award of \$1,105,000 for projects and programs that will be implemented over the next three years (2019, 2020 and 2021).



2019 programs and projects

- Communications Plan
- Outreach/Engagement/
Cultural Relevance
- Park Safety
- ULC for ACHS space
- ACSD14 Gym
improvements
- Activation Activities/
Community Engagement
- Underpass Planning
(Quebec)
- Flashing Beacon Hwy 2
- Veteran's Memorial



2020 programs and projects

- Communications Plan
- Outreach/Engagement/
Cultural Relevance
- Wayfinding
- ULC for ACHS space
- Activation of ILC
- Activation Activities/
Community Engagement
- Underpass/72nd
Intersection
- Comp Plan – rewrite of
policies



2021 programs and projects

- Communications Plan
- Outreach/Engagement/
Cultural Relevance
- Wayfinding
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- Activation of ILC
- Activation Activities/
Community Engagement
- Intersections-
Parkway/Dog Track
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Implementation grant funds totaling \$1,105,000

- 2019 (\$361,668)
 - Programming \$125,000
 - Capital \$191,668
 - Consultants \$ 45,000
- 2020 (\$371,666)
 - Programming \$110,000
 - Capital \$216,666
 - Consultants \$45,000
- 2021 (\$371,666)
 - Programming \$110,000
 - Capital \$216,666
 - Consultants \$45,000





Questions

