

Improving Health Through Innovative Collaborations

The **BUILD Health Challenge** is a national awards program designed to support community collaborations in urban neighborhoods experiencing health disparities that are working to give everyone a fair chance to be healthy. BUILD Health strengthens partnerships between local nonprofit organizations, hospitals and health systems, and local health departments, with a shared commitment to moving resources, attention, and action upstream to drive sustainable improvements in community health.

“*I've been in this field for a very long time and the BUILD Health Challenge grant was like a breath of fresh air... This was the first one that really challenges hospitals to say, "Alright, you need to get upstream on this stuff." I think it's kind of a ground breaking grant process that's going on right now.* - **Chris McCarthy, Community Health Project Manager, UnityPoint Health-Des Moines**

Ever since BUILD Health came on the scene, it's had our attention. It's ambitious, integrative, and it's taking aim at a huge roadblock to implementing basic health care improvements in this country: data. There's some real firepower behind this thing. - **Kristina Strain, Inside Philanthropy columnist**

JOIN US!

The five founding partners need your help in gaining momentum for this movement, reaching more communities, and in promoting approaches that can catalyze the systems change that is so urgently needed.

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WHAT DOES THE FUTURE OF COMMUNITY HEALTH LOOK LIKE? **BOLD, UPSTREAM, INTEGRATED, LOCAL, DATA-DRIVEN.**

BUILD Health is tackling health disparities by addressing the root causes of disease. The inaugural group of BUILD Health awardees comprises 18 community collaborations creating safe and healthy communities for children, remediating lead-poisoned housing stock, breaking the cycle of violence, mitigating food insecurity, and so much more.

