

# St. Louis Collaborations Directory

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A Directory of Significant Collaborations  
in the St. Louis Region

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The following document is a living directory of significant collaborations in the St. Louis region and is intended as a resource for grantmakers.

This directory was compiled based on surveys of and conversations with members of the grantmaking community, as well as online research; its accuracy relies on continued revisions and additions recommended by the grantmaking community. Please note an email link at the bottom of each page in this directory; click on this link to submit revisions or additions, such that information in this directory is kept as current and accurate as possible.

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## Directory Guidelines & Organization

For the purposes of this directory, *collaboration* is defined as: “a mutually beneficial and well-defined relationship entered into by...organizations to achieve common goals. The relationship includes a commitment to mutual relationships and goals, a jointly developed structure and shared responsibility, mutual authority and accountability for success, and sharing of resources and rewards.”<sup>1</sup>

The following basic criteria are used by the Center to determine whether a given collaboration is considered *significant*, and will be used to determine additions to this directory:

1. **Longevity:** Has been in existence for 18 months or more
2. **Membership:** Includes 5 or more active member organizations
3. **Mission:** Driven by mission that seeks to eradicate or support a specific issue in the community that is beyond the mission or programming of any single member organization.
4. **Cross-Sector:** Includes membership of organizations in more than one sector (e.g. types of nonprofit service providers, intermediaries, businesses, grantmaker organizations, government agencies, think-tanks, etc). Though they do not meet the “cross-sector” criterion, collaborations composed of grantmakers only, and nonprofits only will also be included in this directory.

This directory is organized into collaboration *categories*, as determined by the types of organizations that compose the collaboration’s membership:

1. **Cross-Sector Collaboration**, including any combination of the following:
  - a. Businesses (*Please note that businesses may be categorized as “Foundations” if a corporate foundation is the primary partner.*)
  - b. Foundations (*Please note that those organizations categorized as “foundations” are not necessarily actively funding a given collaborative; rather, that foundation is a key partner in that collaborative.*)
  - c. Government Organizations
  - d. Labor Unions
  - e. Nonprofits (*incl. service providers, intermediaries, and infrastructure organizations*)
  - f. Religious Organizations
  - g. Schools/ School Districts
  - h. Universities
2. **Nonprofit/Service Provider Collaborations**, including coalitions of service providers, intermediaries, and/or infrastructure organizations that collaborate on specific initiatives or projects beyond the capacity of a single organization; professional networks of service providers are not meant to be included in this category.

*Please note: **This directory is not exhaustive and is based on available information.** It is intended to be a living document. Please submit edits, additions or other collaborations that meet the above criteria to the Center staff to be incorporated into the directory.*

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<sup>1</sup> Mattessich, Paul, W. et al. (2001). *Collaboration: What Makes It Work* (2nd ed.). St. Paul: Wilder Publishing Center.

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# 1. Cross Sector Collaborations/1.1 Children & Families

**Aging Out of Foster Care** - <http://www.epworth.org/programs/aging-out.php>

**Purpose:** The purpose of Aging Out of Foster Care is to assist youth leaving foster care to become strong, self-sufficient adults through self-advocacy, education, and skills attainment. The Aging Out Initiative seeks to establish a single-source, central “hub” where foster care youth can learn about various resources available to them after they leave state custody. The centralized network seeks to enable youth to obtain guidance and support to enhance self-advocacy and independent living skills, learn how to live healthier lifestyles, and improve education and employment opportunities.

**Date Initiated:** 2007

**Milestones To- Date:**

- Second Cohort started in 2010 (50 children)
- First Cohort started in 2007 (200 children)

**Lead Organization:** Epworth Children and Family Services

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

- Daughters of Charity Foundation of St. Louis\*
- Deaconess Foundation
- Epworth Children and Family Services
- Express Scripts Foundation
- Incarnate Word Foundation
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation\*
- Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis
- Missouri Foundation for Health
- St. Louis Mental Health Board
- Norman J. Stupp Foundation
- Trio Foundation of St. Louis

\* These foundations are not actively involved in the current cohort.

*Government Organizations*

None

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- Epworth Children and Family Services

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

## 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.1 Children & Families

### **Fostering Faithful Families** - <http://www.fosteringfaithfulfamilies.org/>

**Purpose:** Six faith-based child welfare agencies in St. Louis have developed a program to recruit foster and adoptive families within the faith-based community, and seek to support and better equip families to handle children that are physically or emotionally challenged.

**Date Initiated:** 2008

**Lead Organization:** One Heart Family Ministries, Inc.

#### **Milestones To-Date:**

- **2012:** Over 100 foster and adoptive families active in 73 churches in the St. Louis region.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits, Religious Organizations

#### **Active Members:**

##### *Businesses*

None

##### *Foundations*

- Children's Foundation of Mid-America

##### *Government Organizations*

None

##### *Labor Unions*

None

##### *Nonprofits*

- Epworth Children and Family Services
- Good Shepherd Catholic Family and Children Services
- Lutheran Family and Children's Services of Missouri
- Missouri Baptist Children and Family Services
- One Heart Families Ministries, Inc.

##### *Religious Organizations*

- 73 churches in the St. Louis region

##### *Schools/School Districts*

None

##### *Universities*

None

## 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.1 Children & Families

### St. Louis Children's Initiative- <http://stlpromise.org>

**Purpose:** The St. Louis Children's Initiative is a partnership between community organizations, schools and neighbors in North St. Louis that seeks to improve the quality of life for resident children and their families through a cradle-to-career pipeline Promise Neighborhood initiative.

**Date Initiated:** 2009

**Lead Organization:** Urban Strategies and Grace Hill Settlement House

#### **Milestones To-Date:**

- Presented Program Model Design to Dr. Adams.
- Hired Associate VP of School and Community Partnerships.
- Selected to participate in Promise Neighborhood Intensive Learning Partnership.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits, Schools/School Districts

#### **Active Members:**

##### *Businesses*

None

##### *Foundations*

- Incarnate Word Foundation
- Norman J. Stupp Foundation
- Missouri Foundation for Health

##### *Government Organizations*

None

##### *Labor Unions*

None

##### *Nonprofits*

- Grace Hill Settlement House
- Urban Strategies

##### *Religious Organizations*

None

##### *Schools/School Districts*

- St. Louis Public Schools

##### *Universities*

None



# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.1 Children & Families

## St. Louis Regional Early Childhood Council-

<http://visionforchildren.org/childrensagenda/collaborativeinitiatives/regionalearlychildhoodcouncil>

**Purpose:** The Council seeks to develop a shared community vision for a comprehensive, coordinated system that addresses the full range of early childhood needs for all St. Louis area children by

- 1) establishing a data system to track early childhood indicators,
- 2) assessing service gaps and policy needs
- 3) identifying and working to implement evidenced-based strategies to promote early childhood development across all domains.
- 4) engaging business and civic leaders to advance early childhood strategies that promote regional economic development and improve the quality of community life.

**Date Initiated:** 2011

**Lead Organization:** Vision for Children at Risk

**Milestones To-Date:** Not available

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Governmental Organizations, Nonprofits, Schools/School Districts, Universities

### Active Members:

#### *Businesses*

None

#### *Foundations*

- ARCHS
- Deaconess Foundation
- PNC Foundation
- St. Louis Mental Health Board

#### *Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis Children's Environmental Health
- City of St. Louis Mayor's Early Childhood Initiative
- Department of Human Services, City of St. Louis
- Missouri Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems Plan
- P-20 Council
- St. Louis County Economic Council

#### *Labor Unions*

None

#### *Nonprofits*

- Child Day Care Association
- Grace Hill Head Start and Neighborhood Services
- Maternal Child and Family Health Coalition
- Missouri Coalition for School Readiness
- Parents as Teachers National Center
- PNC Community Development Banking
- St. Louis Children's Hospital
- St. Louis Metropolitan YWCA Head Start
- Southside Early Childhood Center
- United Services
- United Way of Greater St. Louis
- Vision for Children at Risk

#### *Religious Organizations*

None

#### *Schools/School Districts*

- St. Louis Public Schools

#### *Universities*

- St. Louis Community College

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.2 Community Development & Housing

**24:1-** <http://www.beyondhousing.org/programs/241-community-building-initiative/>

**Purpose:** Through its 24:1 Initiative, Beyond Housing (a regional housing/homeownership and neighborhood revitalization organization) seeks to engage the community members and leaders of the 24 municipalities within the footprint of the Normandy School District to respond to challenges experienced by communities in this geographic region.

**Date Initiated:** 2008

**Lead Organization:** Beyond Housing

## Milestones To-Date

- In 2009, Beyond Housing secured a five year, \$3 million funding commitment to support the work of 24:1. This funding commitment allowed Beyond Housing to fully staff the planning process that took place over nine months, and will continue to support staffing for implementation of the 24:1 plan.

**Sectors Engaged:** Businesses, Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Universities

## Active Members:

### *Businesses*

- Dollar General
- Emerson Electric
- Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines
- Midwest BankCentre

### *Foundations*

- 24:1 Community Land Trust
- AT&T
- Citi
- Civic Progress
- Covidien
- Des Lee Creating Whole Communities Initiative
- Express Scripts Foundation
- Hauck Charitable Foundation
- Missouri Foundation for Health
- PNC Bank
- Rebuild Foundation
- Regional Business Council Social Venture Partners
- Save-A-Lot
- TJX Foundation

### *Government Organizations*

- East West Gateway Council of Governments
- Great Rivers Greenway
- Metro
- Missouri Department of Transportation
- Office of Minority Health
- St. Louis County Economic Council
- St. Louis County Health Department
- St. Louis County Office of Community Development
- St. Louis County Planning Department
- [24 municipalities](#)

### *Labor Unions*

None

### *Nonprofits*

- Beyond Housing
- Bike & Build
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri
- Citizens for Modern Transit
- College Summit
- Junior Achievement
- Maternal, Child & Family Health Coalition
- NeighborWorks America
- Nurses for Newborns
- Rebuilding Together
- Trailnet
- United 4 Children
- Wyman

### *Religious Organizations*

None

### *Schools/School Districts*

- Normandy School District

### *Universities*

- Public Policy Research Center
- St. Louis Community College
- University of Missouri – St. Louis
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Washington University Brown School of Social Work

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.2 Community Development & Housing

**CityArchRiver 2015** - <http://www.cityarchriver.org/>

**Purpose:** CityArchRiver 2015 connects the Gateway Arch grounds with the East and West riverfronts and the region, and seeks to create new, revitalized public spaces on the Arch grounds. The CityArchRiver 2015 Plan came as the winning product of a design competition held in 2009.

**Date Initiated:** 2010

**Lead Organization:** CityArchRiver 2015 Foundation

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2012: City ArchRiver hires programs/development staff to start at the end of 2012.
- 2009: CityArchRiver held a design competition to revitalize the Arch grounds.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

- CityArchRiver 2015 Foundation\*  
*CAR is an operating foundation*

*Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis
- Great Rivers Greenway District
- Metro East Park and Recreation District
- Metro
- Missouri Department of Transportation
- National Park Service

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- Gateway Center of Metropolitan St. Louis

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.2 Community Development & Housing

## Great Rivers Greenway - <http://www.grgstl.org/>

**Purpose:** The Great Rivers Greenway District seeks to lead the development of the region-wide system of high-quality greenways, parks and trails known as The River Ring, in order to make the St. Louis region a better place to live by creating a clean, green and connected region.

**Date Initiated:** 2001

**Lead Organization:** Great Rivers Greenway (the GRG district was established by vote from residents of City of St. Louis, St. Louis County and St. Charles County)

### Milestones To-Date:

- 2011: Update to the Regional Plan completed
- 2004: Regional Plan completed

**Sectors Engaged:** Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Universities

### Active Members:

#### *Businesses*

None

#### *Foundations*

None

**Government Organizations** Including the City of St. Louis, 40 other municipalities in the St. Louis region are partners.

#### Federal Agencies

- Army Corps of Engineers
- Federal Highway Administration
- National Park Service
- US Coast Guard

#### Governments and Districts

- Duckett Creek Sanitary District
- East-West Gateway Council of Governments
- Metro
- Metro East Park and Recreation District

#### Governments and Districts cont'd

- Metropolitan Sewer District
- Regional Bikeways of Metro St. Louis
- Ridefinders
- St. Charles County
- St. Louis Convention and Visitors Commission
- St. Louis County
- St. Louis County Economic Council
- St. Louis County Planning Department - GIS

#### State Agencies

- Illinois Department of Transportation
- Missouri Department of Conservation
- Missouri Department of Natural Resources
- Missouri Department of Transportation

#### *Labor Unions*

None

#### *Nonprofits*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Audubon Missouri</li><li>• Better Family Life</li><li>• Bike St. Louis</li><li>• Citizens for Modern Transit</li><li>• Confluence Greenway</li><li>• CyclingSavvy</li><li>• Dardenne Creek Watershed Alliance</li><li>• Earth Day</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Florissant Old Town Partners</li><li>• Florissant Parks Foundation</li><li>• Friends of Jefferson Barracks</li><li>• Grace Hill Neighborhood Services</li><li>• Green Center</li><li>• Meramec Greenway</li><li>• Moonlight Ramble</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nature Conservatory</li><li>• North County Incorporated</li><li>• Open Space Council</li><li>• St. Louis County Municipal League</li><li>• St. Louis Urban Corps</li><li>• St. Vincent Greenway Inc.</li><li>• Trailnet</li></ul> |
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#### *Religious Organizations*

None

#### *Schools/School Districts*

None

**Universities** • University of Missouri • Washington University in St. Louis

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# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.2 Community Development & Housing

## Old North Collaborative

**Purpose:** The Old North Collaborative seeks to revitalize several neighborhoods in North St. Louis through long-term, system-wide change, from more businesses to better education.

**Date Initiated:** 2010

**Lead Organization:** Equifax and Old North St. Louis Restoration Group

### Milestones To-Date:

- 2012: Hiring a position for Old North Restoration
- 2012: Opening satellite location of St. Louis Art Works

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits, Universities

### Active Members:

#### *Businesses*

None

#### *Foundations*

- Equifax
- Incarnate Word Foundation
- The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- Deaconess Foundation
- The Little Bit Foundation
- Ken Kranzberg

#### *Government Organizations*

None

#### *Labor Unions*

None

#### *Nonprofits*

- College Summit
- Old North STL Restoration Group
- Regional Housing and Community Development Alliance (RHCD)
- Rebuilding Together
- St. Louis Art Works
- University City Children's Center
- Haven of Grace
- Teach for America

#### *Religious Organizations*

None

#### *Schools/School Districts*

None

#### *Universities*

- Washington University Brown School of Social Work

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.3 Education & Youth Development

## After School for All Partnership (ASAP) - <http://www.stlasap.org/>

**Purpose:** The After School for All Partnership for St. Louis (ASAP) seeks to increase access to quality after school services in Greater St. Louis, Missouri to produce the following outcomes:

1. Students are getting help with homework and learning through hands-on activities.
2. Parents can see their children succeeding in school and beginning a journey of lifelong learning.
3. After school professionals are learning from each other and from experts in the field.
4. Public and private funders are pooling their resources.
5. The region is investing in its future and its future leaders.

**Date Initiated:** 2007

**Lead Organization:** ARCHS

### Milestones To-Date:

- ASAP and its partners have added 2,560 new additional "after school slots" to the City of St. Louis.
- At ASAP's middle school locations, more than 400 students in five St. Louis Public Schools are benefitting from ASAP's efforts.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits

### Active Members:

#### *Businesses*

None

#### *Foundations*

- Anheuser Busch Foundation
- Civic Progress
- Deaconess Foundation
- Fox Family Foundation
- Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation
- Incarnate Word Foundation
- The Estelle and Karen Kalish Fund
- Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis
- Lawrence L. Cohn Family Trust
- Monsanto Fund
- Pettus Foundation
- The Saigh Foundation
- ARCHS
- St. Louis Mental Health Board
- Norman J. Stupp Foundation
- United Way of Greater St. Louis
- Herbert and Adrian Woods Foundation
- Wells Fargo Advisors

#### *Governmental Organizations*

- City of St. Louis
- Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Missouri Department of Social Services
- St. Louis Department of Recreation and Forestry

#### *Labor Unions*

None

#### *Nonprofits & Service Providers*

- Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis
- Neighborhood Houses
- Northside Youth and Senior Service Center
- Provident, Inc.
- St. Frances Cabrini
- St. Louis For Kids
- St. Louis The King
- Stray Dog Theatre/Arts In Mind
- Wyman
- Youth In Need
- YWCA

#### *Religious Organizations*

None

#### *Schools/School Districts*

- St. Louis Public Schools

#### *Universities*

None

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.3 Education & Youth Development

**American Graduate** - <http://americangraduate.ninenet.org/about-the-initiative.html>

**Purpose:** American Graduate is a five-year, national public media initiative that seeks to build the knowledge, understanding, collaboration and resources required to improve high school graduation rates by working in partnership with schools, agencies and organizations at the community level by creating multi-platform content, implementing education resources, and developing interactive learning tools and experiences, particularly for middle- and high-school students.

**Date Initiated:** Not available.

**Lead Organization:** Nine Network of Public Media

**Milestones To-Date:** Not available.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Universities

**Active Members:**

## *Businesses*

None

## *Foundations*

- America's Promise Alliance
- Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Corporation for Public Broadcasting
- National Center for Media Engagement
- St. Louis Mental Health Board
- United Way of Greater St. Louis

## *Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis
- East St. Louis Police Department
- St. Louis Police Department

## *Nonprofits*

- America SCORES St. Louis
- Beyond Housing: 24:1 Initiative
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri
- Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis
- College Bound
- College Summit
- Covenant House
- Epworth Children & Family Services
- Grand Center Arts Academy
- Good Shepherd
- HOME WORKS!
- MERS Goodwill
- Missouri Charter Public School Association
- Nine Network of Public Media
- Shearwater Education Foundation
- SLU School of Public Health
- St. Louis Beacon
- St. Louis Graduates
- St. Louis Internship Program
- St. Louis Public Radio
- Teach for America St. Louis
- Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation
- United Way 2-1-1
- Urban League
- Vision for Children at Risk
- Wyman
- Youth In Need

## *Religious Organizations*

None

## *Schools/School Districts*

- Innovative Concept Academy
- KIPP Inspire Academy
- Normandy School District
- Roosevelt High School
- Rockwood School District
- St. Louis Public School District

## *Universities*

- St. Louis Community College
- University of Missouri – St. Louis
- University of Missouri Extension
- Urban Impact Center: Lincoln University
- Washington University in St. Louis

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.3 Education & Youth Development

**City Catholic Collaborative** - <http://citycatholiccollaborative.wordpress.com/>

**Purpose:** The **City Catholic Collaborative** is a network of the Catholic elementary and middle schools located in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, and the parishes that support these schools. The Collaborative seeks to ensure excellent Catholic education continues in the city of St. Louis through collaboration and sharing of resources.

**Date Initiated:** 2009

**Lead Organization:** Incarnate Word Foundation (original convener) plus Collaborative Staff Person

**Milestones To-Date:**

- **2012:** Collaborative professional development opportunities are available for school leadership
- **2011:** South City Catholic Collaborative renames itself “City Catholic Collaborative”
- **2010:** Collaborative announces a pilot project to offer a High School credit honors course to advanced and “gifted” 8th grade students in the city Catholic elementary and middle schools.
- **2009:** 15 representatives of the South City Catholic Collaborative and Catholic High Schools in St. Louis and some private Catholic High Schools in the County meet to discuss how they could form a partnership.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Religious Organizations, Schools/School Districts

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

- Incarnate Word Foundation

*Government Organizations*

None

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

None

*Religious Organizations & Schools/School Districts*

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| • De La Salle Middle School at St. Matthew      | • St. Ambrose Catholic School  | • St. Louis the King School at the Cathedral |
| • Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School      | • St. Cecilia Catholic School and Academy                            | • St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic School   |
| • Loyola Middle School                          | • St. Frances Cabrini Academy  | • St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic School  |
| • Marian Middle School                          | • St. Gabriel the Archangel Catholic School                          | • St. Roch Catholic School                   |
| • Most Holy Trinity Catholic School and Academy | • St. James the Greater Catholic School and Carlson’s Kids Preschool | • St. Stephen Protomartyr Catholic School    |
| • Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic School           | • St. Joan of Arc Catholic School                                    |  |
|   | • St. John the Baptist Catholic School                               |  |
|   | • St. Louis Catholic Academy   |  |

*Universities*

None



## 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.3 Education & Youth Development

### St. Louis Graduates (formerly St. Louis Regional College Access Pipeline Project) - <http://www.stlouisgraduates.org>

**Purpose:** St. Louis Graduates seeks to help first-generation and low-income students get ready, get in and get through a postsecondary degree by:

- 1) Building a common, research-based understanding of needs and opportunities for increasing postsecondary enrollment and persistence in the St. Louis area;
- 2) Advocating for resources and policies that support low income students' pursuit of postsecondary education;
- 3) Convening funders, educators, and college access providers to promote specific strategies and collaboration.

**Date Initiated:** 2009

**Lead Organization:** Jane Donahue, Faith Sandler, & part-time project manager Laura Winter

#### Milestones To-Date:

- Released a 2012 data report on advancing degree attainment, "One Student at a Time."
- Published the first regional report card on college access and degree completion;
- Advocated for need-based financial aid in Missouri;
- Convened nearly 70 community leaders in developing the region's first strategic plan for college degree completion;
- Engaged hundreds of counselors and college access professionals in professional development programs to build regional capacity to serve students.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits, Universities

#### Active Members:

##### *Businesses*

None

##### *Foundations*

- Civic Progress
- Deaconess Foundation
- Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation
- The Scholarship Foundation of St. Louis
- Citi
- Commerce Bank
- Equifax
- The Laclede Group Foundation
- Pulaski Community Fund
- Norman J. Stupp Foundation
- TG Public Benefit Grant Program
- Trio Foundation of St. Louis
- Wells Fargo Advisors
- Enterprise Holdings
- United Way of Greater St. Louis

##### *Government Organizations*

None

##### *Labor Unions*

None

##### *Nonprofits*

- College Bound
- College Summit
- Porter Bay Group (for profit)
- Gateway Center for Giving
- Wyman

##### *Religious Organizations*

None

##### *Schools/School Districts*

None

##### *Universities*

- St. Louis Community College
- University of Missouri – St. Louis
- UMSL College Advising Corps

## 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.3 Education & Youth Development

### **St. Louis Youth Jobs** – <http://www.iwfdn.org/stl-youth-jobs/>

**Purpose:** STL Youth Jobs seeks to coordinate the development of a regional summer youth employment program in the St. Louis area to prevent violence and to promote the healthy development of youth. The program was initiated in response to the steep decline in public funding for summer youth employment and the dire need for positive youth programming that is exhibited by the high rates of youth violence and crime in the region.

The pilot program seeks to provide concentrated funding to employ youth 16-23 from two clusters of high-risk neighborhoods in the City of St. Louis. Data analysis of the program will seek to provide funders with an understanding of how youth employment can positively impact youth participants and their communities so that the program can be expanded for greater regional impact in the future.

**Date Initiated:** 2012

**Lead Organization:** Incarnate Word Foundation

**Milestones To-Date:** In 2012, Incarnate Word Foundation hired a consultant to manage the development of the Youth Jobs Program.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Universities

#### **Active Members:**

##### *Businesses*

None

##### *Foundations*

- Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation
- Incarnate Word Foundation

##### *Government Organizations*

- Mayor's Task Force on Youth Violence

##### *Labor Unions*

None

##### *Nonprofits*

None

##### *Religious Organizations*

None

##### *Schools/School Districts*

None

##### *Universities*

- University of Missouri Public Policy Research Center

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.4 Environment & Animals

## Convergence Partnership: Innovation Fund Initiative –

[http://www.convergencepartnership.org/site/c.fhL0K6PELmF/b.6136267/k.80FB/Innovation\\_Fund\\_Initiative.htm](http://www.convergencepartnership.org/site/c.fhL0K6PELmF/b.6136267/k.80FB/Innovation_Fund_Initiative.htm)

**Purpose:** The Innovation Fund Initiative is a 3-year grant from the Convergence Partnership to support a statewide initiative that relates to food policy and healthy and active living; in Missouri, this grant will focus on Springfield/Greene County, St. Louis City (urban), Lexington/Independence County (rural), Joplin/Webb City (small urban and rural), and Dent County (rural). The Initiative seeks to provide catalytic investments and support foundations to make long-term commitments to:

- Promote equity, which includes a focus on benefiting low-income communities, communities of color or other vulnerable populations, and create leadership and engagement opportunities for vulnerable populations throughout the policymaking process;
- Focus on policy and environmental change strategies instead of programmatic or educational initiatives to promote equity and health; and
- Create non-traditional partnerships and collaborations to effectively create policy and environmental changes and leverage expertise, connections, and funding.

**Date Initiated:** 2012

**Lead Organization:** Incarnate Word Foundation

**Milestones To-Date:** In 2012, Incarnate Word Foundation and Missouri Foundation for Health learned that they will receive a Convergence Partnership Innovation Grant.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Nonprofits, Schools/School Districts

### Active Members:

#### *Businesses*

None

#### *Foundations*

- Community Foundation of the Ozarks
- Incarnate Word Foundation
- Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City
- Joplin Chamber of Commerce
- Missouri Foundation for Health

#### *Government Organizations*

None

#### *Labor Unions*

None

#### *Nonprofits*

- Community Health Collaborative/Live Smart Healthy and Active
- Council for Healthy Dent County
- Health Care Collaborative of Rural Missouri
- Healthy Living Alliance
- HopeBUILD
- Missouri Council for Activity and Nutrition (MOCAN)

#### *Religious Organizations*

None

#### *Schools/School Districts*

- Riverview Garden School District

#### *Universities*

None

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**PetLover Coalition** - <http://www.stlpetlover.org/>

**Purpose:** The St. Louis PetLover Coalition convenes public and private animal service providers to discuss improving the lives of dogs and cats in our community. The Coalition seeks involvement from corporations, foundations, civic leaders, educational institutions, students, health care/social welfare groups and others. The Coalition is an information sharing network, allows for formal/informal grant alignment, and seeks to educate the public.

**Date Initiated:** 2009

**Lead Organization:** Nestle Purina PetCare Company

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2011: St. Louis PetLover Coalition launched its No Unwanted Litters initiative and introduced a coloring book to help communicate its spay/neuter message.
- 2010: Developed a community-wide comprehensive animal welfare plan. This plan, called the Vision and Goals 2014, is a 5 year plan developed with experts in our community and is designed to bring more resources to the organizations in the working group to begin to solve the problems identified in the plan.

**Sectors Engaged:** Government Organizations, Nonprofits

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

- Nestle Purina PetCare Company

*Foundations*

None

*Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis Department of Health
- St. Louis County Department of Health

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- ADOPT
- Angel Acres Animal Rescue
- Animal House Fund
- APA
- BARC St. Louis
- Carol House Quick Fix Pet Clinic
- Five Acres Animal Shelter
- Gateway Pet Guardians
- Greater St. Louis Veterinary Medical Association
- Humane Society of Missouri
- Love a Golden Rescue
- Metro Animal Resource Services Inc.
- Open Door Animal Sanctuary
- Operation SPOT
- Partners for Pets Humane Society
- Pet's Second Chance, St. Louis Welsh Corgi Rescue
- Phoenix Pack
- St. Louis Senior Dog Project
- Stray Rescue of St. Louis
- TARA Training and Behavior LLC
- Tenth Life Cat Rescue
- The Cat Network, Inc.

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

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## Regional Plan for Sustainable Development -<http://www.ewgateway.org/rpsd/default.htm>

**Purpose:** The RPSD is a 3-year planning process that is being funded through a grant received by East-West Gateway and 10 core partners, to create a regional plan that builds the capacity of local and regional leaders to implement sustainable practices by sharing knowledge, best practices, and resources; connecting local, regional, state and federal planning efforts; and making federal and local investments more effective and efficient.

**Date Initiated:** 2010

**Lead Organization:** East-West Gateway Council of Governments

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2012: Regional Housing Assessment, Public Engagement Plan, and Work Plan Outline are complete and available online.
- 2012: Three rounds of community planning meetings are held.

**Sectors Engaged:** Government Organizations, Nonprofits

**Active Members:** In addition to a relationship with the Applied Research Collaborative, the following are active members:

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

None

*Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis
- East-West Gateway
- Metro
- St. Louis County
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- U.S. Department of Transportation
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- Citizens for Modern Transit
- FOCUS St. Louis
- Great Rivers Greenway
- Metropolitan St. Louis Equal Housing Opportunity Council
- Southwestern Illinois Resource Conservation and Development
- Trailnet

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

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### St. Louis Greenprint 2012- <http://www.stlrcga.org/x4809.xml>

**Purpose:** The RCGA's St. Louis Greenprint 2012 is an action plan to help grow the St. Louis regional green economy. The Greenprint is born from the Climate Prosperity Project - a national initiative begun by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund in 2009. The Climate Prosperity Project is a national effort that seeks to advance the concept that innovation, efficiency, and conservation in the use and reuse of resources can increase jobs, incomes, productivity, and the competitiveness of a region.

**Date Initiated:** 2011

**Lead Organization:** Regional Chamber & Growth Association (RCGA)

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2012: Published St. Louis GreenPrint

**Sectors Engaged:** Business, Foundations, Labor Unions, Nonprofits, Universities

**Active Members:** A complete list of contributors can be found on page 19 of [this link](#).

### Sustainability Match Fund Group

**Purpose:** This group convened with the initial purpose of fulfilling a grant application to the Funders' Network, that required governmental and foundation collaboration around a shared mission of promoting effective and coordinated implementation of sustainability efforts in St. Louis. The future goals of this group have not been determined.

**Date Initiated:** 2012

**Lead Organization:** City of St. Louis Office of Sustainability

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2012: Submitted a proposal to the Funders' Network for a match grant that brings together governmental agencies and local foundations to support sustainability in the region.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

**Foundations**

- Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation
- Incarnate Word Foundation
- Kerr Foundation
- Trio Foundation of St. Louis

**Government Organizations**

- City of St. Louis Office of Sustainability

*Labor Unions*

None

**Nonprofits**

- Nine Network of Public Media

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.5 Health & Human Services

**The Beacon Project** - [http://www.stlefa.org/programs\\_and\\_services/beacon\\_project](http://www.stlefa.org/programs_and_services/beacon_project)

**Purpose:** The Barrier Elimination and Care Navigation (BEACON) Project seeks to connect with people living with HIV who have no evidence of receiving medical care for over 12 months. The BEACON Project seeks to minimize barriers to care, improve the health outcomes of the people it serves and ultimately help bring an end to the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the region by providing:

- 1) intensive case management to assist in navigating structural barriers of the healthcare system;
- 2) ongoing peer support to address intrapersonal barriers;
- 3) creative, client-based solutions to address other barriers (childcare, housing, transportation, etc.)

**Date Initiated:** Not available

**Lead Organization:** Saint Louis Effort for Aids

**Milestones To-Date:** Not available

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Universities

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

- Incarnate Word Foundation
- Missouri Foundation for Health

*Government Organizations*

- Corporation for National & Community Service
- St. Louis City Health Department

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- AIDS United
- St. Louis Effort for Aids (EFA)

*Religious Organizations*

None

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

- Washington University's Project ARK

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.5 Health & Human Services

## Healthy Youth Partnership - <http://healthyouthpartnership.org/site/>

**Purpose:** The Healthy Youth Partnership seeks to eliminate youth obesity through collaborations that promote healthy eating and active living in the St. Louis region by strengthening the efforts of over 80 partner agencies in the St. Louis region.

**Date Initiated:** 2004

**Lead Organization:** Greater St. Louis Community Foundation, Missouri Foundation for Health, St. Louis Rams Foundation

### Milestones To-Date:

- Community Demonstration Projects: HYP school demonstration projects and mini-grants were a collaborative service delivery model designed to maximize health and wellness outcomes at the community level. In total, HYP has committed \$102,500 to mini-grants in the region.
- State Physical Education Policy: In both 2008 and 2009, HYP testified to the Missouri legislature on behalf of increased state PE standards, bringing endorsements from over 30 HYP partner organizations. In 2009, the legislature approved a 3-fold increase in school PE standards for elementary schools. The law went into effect Fall 2010 and will increase the daily physical activity levels of an estimated 300,000 students throughout the state.
- SLPS Wellness: HYP led the process of strengthening and implementing an updated SLPS Health and Wellness Policy. SLPS created a new full-time position to implement the policy, and HYP partner agencies committed over 1000 hours of their expertise to this effort. Since the policy was adopted, HYP has conducted 10 in-service days for SLPS teachers to promote the new policy.
- Partner Professional Development and Networking: For the last four years, HYP has hosted quarterly partnership meetings featuring expert speakers and opportunities for networking.
- AmeriCorps VISTA Project: HYP is the lead applicant on a project that is bringing six full-time AmeriCorps VISTA members to the St. Louis region to serve at HYP and HYP partner agencies.
- HYP serves as a convener for the Food Policy Council, working closely with UM Extension, SLU School of Public Health, Congressman Russ Carnahan's office, Gateway Greening, and the City of St. Louis.

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Universities

**Active Members:** In addition to many nonprofit and service-provider partners, the following are active members of the Healthy Youth Partnership.

### Businesses

- BJC Healthcare School Outreach and Youth Development
- Dr. J's Family Weight Loss Program
- Energizing Enterprises, LLC
- Harmony Health Plan
- HealthCare USA
- HipHop H20
- J.U.I.C.E. Box LLC
- Just a Mom Marketing
- Miss Bridget's Conservatory of Dance
- Peds Needs
- Prairie Farms Dairy
- St. Louis Cardinals
- St. Louis Rams
- Transtria LLC
- Triad Sports and Family Chiropractic
- USANA Health Sciences

### Foundations

- ACF Chef & Child Foundation
- American Heart Association
- ARCHS
- Catholic Charities
- Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation
- Ironmom Foundation
- Just Us Tennis Foundation
- Living Well Foundation
- Missouri Foundation for Health
- National Kidney Foundation
- Scott Brownell Foundation
- Sodexo
- Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation
- St. Louis Community Empowerment Foundation
- St. Louis Rams Foundation
- United Way of Greater St. Louis

### Government Organizations

- City of St. Louis Department of Health
- City of St. Louis Parks, Recreation, and Forestry
- East Side Health District
- City of St. Louis Mayor's Office
- Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
- St. Louis County Department of Health



# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.5 Health & Human Services

## Healthy Youth Partnership, cont'd

### *Labor Unions*

- St. Louis Teachers and School Related Personnel Union Local 420

### *Nonprofits*

- America Scores St. Louis
- American Heart Association
- Better Family Life Inc.
- Black Alliance for Educational Options
- Boys and Girls Town of Missouri
- Camp Jump Start
- Community Action Agency of St. Louis County
- Delta Dental Health Theatre
- Educational Multimedia, Inc.
- Gateway Greening
- Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis
- Girls, Inc.
- Girls on the Run
- GO! St. Louis Marathon
- HopeBuild
- IMPACT St. Louis
- Institute for Family Medicine
- Interfaith Partnership – Faith Beyond Walls
- J.U.I.C.E. Project
- Magic House, St. Louis Children's Museum
- Maternal Child and Family Health Coalition
- Neighborhood Houses
- Nine Network of Public Media
- Wesley House Association
- West End Mt. Carmel Community Outreach Service
- Nurses for Newborns
- Operation Food Search
- PAKT Community Resource Center
- Parents As Teachers National Center
- People's Health Centers
- St. Louis For Kids
- St. Louis ArtWorks
- St. Louis Dairy Council
- St. Louis Regional Health Commission
- St. Louis Ultimate Association
- Summit Leadership Initiative
- TrailNet
- Ujamaa Community Development Corporation and Black Family Land Trust Inc.
- Unity Community Center
- Vision for Children at Risk
- Walkable St. Louis
- YMCA of Greater St. Louis

### *Religious Organizations*

- Catholic Charities
- Divine Universal Sisters Women's Health Coalition
- Jewish Family and Children's Service
- Union Avenue Christian Church

### *Schools/School Districts*

- St. Louis Public Schools

### *Universities*

- Fontbonne University
- Missouri Area Healthcare Education Centers (affiliated with local universities)
- Prevention Research Center (university collaborative)
- Saint Louis University
- University of Illinois
- University of Missouri
- Washington University in St. Louis

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.6 Social Services & Job Readiness

**Community Against Poverty (CAP)** - <http://www.jcrcstl.org/Communityagainstopoverty.php>

**Purpose:** Community Against Poverty (CAP) is a coalition of St. Louis area interfaith and civic organizations coordinated by the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC). CAP is dedicated to combating poverty through education, advocacy and service.

**Date Initiated:** 2008

**Lead Organization:** Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC)

**Milestones To-Date:**

- **2012:** CAP held its 5<sup>th</sup> annual Career Fair
- **2012:** CAP dedicated its new early childhood project playground
- **2011:** CAP held a volunteer fair featuring 34 community agencies

**Sectors Engaged:** Nonprofits, Religious Organizations

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

None

*Government Organizations*

None

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of St. Louis
- International Institute
- Jewish Family & Children's Service
- Lutheran Family & Children's Services
- Missouri Association for Social Welfare
- National Council of Jewish Women St. Louis Section
- Ready Readers
- Women's Voices Raised for Social Justice

*Religious Organizations*

- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Missouri
- Jewish Community Relations Council
- Islamic Foundation of Greater St. Louis
- Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy
- St. Louis Clergy Coalition

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

## 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.6 Social Services & Job Readiness

### Graduate! St. Louis Workforce Consortium- <http://graduatestlouis.com/>

**Purpose:** Graduate St. Louis seeks to provide a regional network of adult-friendly college completion resources that facilitate attainment of the degrees and certificates needed to successfully enter Healthcare, Information Technology and emerging Green Jobs career pathways.

**Date Initiated:** Not available

**Lead Organization:** St. Louis Workforce Investment Board

**Milestones To-Date:** Not available

**Sectors Engaged:** Government Organizations, Nonprofits

#### Active Members:

##### *Businesses*

None

##### *Foundations*

None

##### *Government Organizations*

- Jefferson/Franklin Counties Workforce Investment Board
- Illinois WorkNet Centers
- St. Charles Workforce Investment Board
- St. Clair Workforce Investment Board
- St. Louis County Workforce Investment Board
- St. Louis Workforce Investment Board
- U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration

##### *Labor Unions*

None

##### *Nonprofits*

- Mid-America Workforce Investment Board
- Missouri Career Centers
- Regional Chamber and Growth Association (RCGA)
- SLATE Missouri Career Centers
- St. Louis Graduates

##### *Religious Organizations*

None

##### *Schools/School Districts*

None

##### *Universities*

None

# 1. Cross-Sector Collaborations/1.6 Social Services & Job Readiness

**St. Louis Alliance for Reentry (STAR)** - <http://www.stlreentry.org> or <http://www.facebook.com/stlreentry>

**Purpose:** STAR seeks to integrate successful intervention principles and practices resulting in collaborative partnerships that enhance ex-offender self-sufficiency, reduce recidivism, and improve public safety and community health in St. Louis City and County.

**Date Initiated:** 2006

**Lead Organization:** ARCHS

**Sectors Engaged:** Foundations, Government Organizations, Nonprofits, Religious Organizations

**Milestones To-Date:**

- 2012: STAR held its third STAR Summit hosting more than 225 area reentry experts to discuss "Mythbusters" regarding the field. In addition, Missouri Department of Corrections George Lombardi, St. Louis Prosecuting Attorney Robert P. McCulloch and Missouri State Representatives Gary Fuhr and Rory Ellinger hosted a panel discussion concerning the findings of the recent Missouri Working Group on Sentencing and Corrections.
- 2012: STAR received a *What's Right with the Region* award from FOCUS St. Louis
- 2012: STAR hosted a professional development series.
- 2011: STAR held its second STAR Summit attracting more than 270 people, and featuring special tracks on: gender specific issues, program evaluations/logic models, transitional jobs, housing, mental health, substance abuse, community/family re-engagement programs, and faith-based support for Missouri's ex-offender population.
- 2010: STAR held its first STAR Summit, hosting nearly 300 people and featuring keynote speaker George Lombardi.

**Active Members:**

*Businesses*

None

*Foundations*

- ARCHS
- Lutheran Foundation of St. Louis

*Government Organizations*

- City of St. Louis
- Missouri Department of Corrections
- United States District Court – Eastern District of Missouri

*Labor Unions*

None

*Nonprofits*

- Center for Women in Transition
- St. Louis Agency on Training and Employment

*Religious Organizations*

- Barak Christian Church
- Society of St. Vincent De Paul

*Schools/School Districts*

None

*Universities*

None

## 2. Nonprofit/Service Provider Collaborations

*Please note: Like this directory as a whole, the following list of nonprofit/service provider collaborations is incomplete. The focus of this directory is on collaborations that are open to grantmaker participation; as such, this list represents nonprofit/service provider collaborations that were referenced during the research process, and no additional research was done to compile a comprehensive list of nonprofit/service provider collaborations.*

*Please submit additions to Center staff by following the link at the bottom of each page.*

### 2.0 Arts, Culture, & Humanities

Interchange- <http://www.interchangestlouis.org/>

### 2.1 Children & Families

Foster and Adoptive Care Coalition - <http://www.foster-adopt.org/>

Maternal Child and Family Health Coalition - <http://www.stl-mcfhc.org/>

### 2.2 Community Development & Housing

Regional Housing Collaborative - <http://www.bhnstl.org/current-initiatives/regional-housing-collaborative/>

### 2.3 Education & Youth Development – none listed.

### 2.4 Environment & Animals – none listed.

### 2.5 Health and Human Services:

Breakthrough Coalition - <http://www.breakthroughcoalition.org/Home.html>

Crisis Intervention Team - <http://www.stlouisco.com/LawandPublicSafety/CrisisInterventionTeamCIT>

Hospital-Community Linkages - <http://www.bhnstl.org/current-initiatives/mpc-closure-workgroup/>

St. Louis Regional Health Commission- <http://www.stlrhc.org/>

### 2.6 Social Services & Job Readiness

Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence - <http://www.mocadsv.org/>

Safe Circle Coalition - [https://www.stlbeacon.org/#!/content/25541/ywca\\_starts\\_program\\_to\\_prevent\\_sexual\\_assault](https://www.stlbeacon.org/#!/content/25541/ywca_starts_program_to_prevent_sexual_assault)

St. Louis Ending Violence Against Women Network (SLEVAWN) - <http://slevawn.org/>

St. Louis Rescue and Restore Coalition - <http://www.stoptraffickingmo-il.org/agencies.html>

St. Louis Senior Care Network - <http://www.scnnet.org/>