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The Women's Foundation of Colorado **STEM Coalition**

Overview

Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields are among the fastest growing in Colorado's economy and STEM jobs are in demand. Women working in STEM earn, on average, 33% more than in other fields, yet women make up only 24% of the STEM workforce. The Women's Foundation of Colorado is committed to improving education and career opportunities for girls and women in STEM so more women may achieve economic self-sufficiency through greater lifetime earnings and increased entrepreneurial opportunities.

STEM Coalition

The Women's Foundation of Colorado (WFCO) STEM Coalition is comprised of leading employers in STEM fields who share our long-term commitment to lasting and meaningful change and dedicate their time, leadership, knowledge, expert perspective, and financial resources of at least \$10,000 a year for three years to provide guidance and support as we:

spark interest
cultivate commitment
support long-term success

- Develop a deeper understanding of the reasons girls and women are under-represented in STEM fields and how to address the challenges with STEM talent development
- Partner with The Colorado Education Initiative (CEI) and its STEM Champions to lead implementation of the gender equity components of the Colorado STEM Education Roadmap
- Invest in community partners offering STEM programming for girls and women to improve learning and career opportunities

2015 STEM Coalition Members

- MWH Global
(founding co-sponsor)
- Arrow Electronics
(founding co-sponsor)
- CH2M
- Goodbee & SSG MEP
- Lockheed Martin
- QEP Resources
- Stephanie Copeland
- Suncor
- Zayo Group

Join the Coalition and Become a STEM Champion

Through an innovative partnership with CEI, members of the WFCO STEM Coalition that invest a total of \$30,000 or more over three years are also invited to become CEI STEM Champions, advocates who help guide Colorado's work in STEM and have a seat on the Colorado STEM Advisory Committee, which includes Lt. Gov. Joe Garcia and state leaders in education, workforce development, labor and employment, and economic development. STEM Coalition members will receive recognition from both WFCO and CEI for their commitment to advancing STEM opportunities statewide.

We invite you to join WFCO and our STEM Coalition members to lead the gender strategies within the STEM Roadmap. As a member of the WFCO STEM Coalition and a STEM Champion, you will help inform and guide innovative efforts to spark interest, cultivate commitment, and support long-term success for girls and women in STEM

fields. Your involvement, through quarterly informative meetings, will influence, amplify, and help to align some of the strongest voices in Colorado calling for and leading change to strengthen the Colorado workforce and economy by engaging more women and girls in STEM.

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Connect to Learn More and to Join the STEM Coalition

To learn more about partnering with The Women's Foundation of Colorado to improve opportunities for girls and women in STEM, please contact us.

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About The Women's Foundation of Colorado

The Women's Foundation of Colorado is a public foundation committed to building resources and leading change so that every woman and girl in Colorado achieves her full potential. Through research, education, public policy, and strategic philanthropy, we work to empower women and girls and boldly lead essential long-term systemic change.



About The Colorado Education Initiative

The Colorado Education Initiative is an independent nonprofit working in partnership with the Colorado Department of Education and public education stakeholders to accelerate bold improvement in student achievement through innovation, collaboration and capacity building. CEI believes that increased student achievement for all Colorado students requires effective leaders in every school, effective educators in every classroom, and healthy and engaging environments that ignite a passion for learning in every student.