

a vibrant community and economy that supports the health and well-being of all

## ATLANTANS

a year in review

Atlanta Regional Collaborative for Health Improvement ARCHI Joining Forces to Improve Health Outcomes in Metro Atlanta

# **ARCHI**



ARCHI is boldly developing silo-busting solutions that address the underlying, root causes of disparity by engaging a cross-section of community partners and encouraging community-driven and community-owned interventions.

It is supporting innovation among partners committed to making regional health, social, economic, and educational co-investments for social change. To do this, ARCHI relies upon a collective impact model that aligns partners' work around common goals. ARCHI recognizes both the potential and complexity of what it is trying to do: in tackling health equity through disruption of deeply engrained disparities not just in health, but in other drivers of community wellness; in employing innovative financing mechanisms relying upon capturing and reinvesting savings to sustain meaningful change; and in effectively using a shared-leadership model that relies upon community leaders from both the public and private sectors. ARCHI is proud of its 2016 accomplishments towards achieving these goals.

#### LEADERSHIP

- The Steering Committee approved hiring ARCHI's first full-time executive director.
- The three founding organizations—the Atlanta Regional Commission, Georgia Health Policy Center, and United Way of Greater Atlanta—executed a collaboration agreement that governs how they work together to manage the work of ARCHI.



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#### \$2001a cash and in-kind contributions provided by Steering

Committee

members



#### branding & COMMUNICATIONS

Work with marketing and branding experts improved the clarity and effectiveness of the collaborative's communications.



## **ALIGNMENT**



- Alignment for Health Equity and Development (AHEAD) partners, including the Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership, the Atlanta Community Food Bank, and Kaiser Permanente, came together to support the building and installation of a playground and garden at DeLowe Village, an apartment complex in East Point.
- Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH) resulted in a "Complete Streets" plan for East Point. The goal of the plan and implementation activities are to improve community health and well-being through increasing physical activity opportunities.

### **COLLABORATION**

- Grady Health System, Piedmont Healthcare, Kaiser Permanente of Georgia, Saint Joseph's Health System, and WellStar Health System supported a combined Community Health Needs Assessment, conducted by the Georgia Health Policy Center.
- Several key partners invested time to build an internal culture of collective impact and ARCHI framework into the work of their organizations.

### transformational **COMMUNITIES**

- Tri-Cities celebrated a 2-year anniversary and revealed a community plan, developed from a series of community conversations and provider convenings by priority area.
- The Tri-Cities Stewardship Group funded and coordinated a successful summer Community Health Worker training program for 13 high school students.
- clusters. A design team of community representatives was formed to advise planning and implementation of more intensive and focused work.



## RECOGNITION

- ARCHI's origins and its early pilot project efforts were profiled as a model for others seeking solutions to health inequality in the Grantmakers In Health supplement on innovations in health equity, published in the spring 2016 issue of the Stanford Social Innovation Review.
- The Dekalb Board of Commissioners presented a proclamation to ARCHI for the work in Columbia, Clarkston, and Cross Keys.
- ARCHI received the Best Collaboration of the Year award from Health Connect South.



stewardship within their individual organizations. The organizational leaders held face-toface and web-based meetings over the course of the year to test a process to integrate the

DeKalb County held three learning sessions in Clarkston, Columbia, and Cross Keys High School







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