**FOCUS AREA**

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<td><strong>Teacher &amp; Leader Efficacy</strong></td>
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<td>- Provided PD to 500 teachers through two Pueblo and one Rifle Colorado Rural Share Fair event on innovative classroom technology, social/emotional learning, project-based learning, and more.</td>
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<td>- Secured funds to support BOCES in updating their principal induction programs to submit to CDE for fall 2018 approval, and offer scholarships to the first cohort of principal inductees.</td>
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| **Rural Teacher Preparation** |
| - Secured grant in partnership with CSU—Global Campus and Santa Fe Trail (SFT) BOCES to co-design a shared concurrent enrollment teacher credentialing and delivery system to meet updated Higher Education Commission standards with scholarships for teachers. Six teachers earned a master’s degree and five credentials in math and English allowing them to continue teaching concurrent enrollment courses. |
| - 100% of participating teachers were retained in rural districts for two years, and student access to concurrent courses increased by 50%. |

| **Teacher Recruitment & Retention** |
| - Secured grant in partnership with CSU—Pueblo and South Central (SC) BOCES to pilot community immersion experiences for teaching candidates in Huerfano, La Veta (x2), Manzanola, and Custer County School Districts with 33% or participants placed. Development of a Teacher Hiring Guide, BOCES branding and a CREC-wide teacher job fair were also part of the effort. |
| - Two additional Immersion Experiences were held in spring 2018 (LaVeta & SFT BOCES) and the practice is being adopted more widely. |
| - Teacher recruitment component added to the CREC website. |

| **Instructional Support** |
| - Through philanthropic support, 18 teacher leaders participated in a peer-to-peer network enhancing instructional practice across the SFT BOCES. |
| - The SC BOCES was supported in securing a Math/Science Partnership Grant to bolster the effectiveness of math instruction. |

| **College/Career Pathways and Certifications** |
| - Developed proposal for the launch of a medical careers pathway across SC BOCES and SFT BOCES. |
| - Supported SC BOCES in securing a distance-learning and telemedicine grant providing infrastructure for pathway development. |
| - Awarded a new grant (3/2018) to assess entrepreneurship efforts in rural communities across the state, create a repository of experiences, programs and funding for rural districts, and offer support for pilots. |
| - Created model and guide for rural Military & Protective Services Career Exploration Events (MAPS). |

| **Social/Emotional Learning & Disengaged Students** |
| - Supported securing Expelled & At-Risk Student Grants (EARRS) to serve 15% of students struggling the most in 13 SC and 4 SLV BOCES school districts. |
| - Supported awarding of Creating Healthy Schools Grants to Primero, Kit Carson and West End. |
| - Supported awarding of Bullying Prevention Grants to Fowler R-4J, Trinidad, and Manzanola. |
| - Assisted Primero, Las Animas and Huerfano in securing School Counselor Corps Grants. |
| - Secured an InspirED Grant for Primero to implement SEL assessment. |
| - Secured funds for S-CAP core districts to underwrite SEL assessment. |
| - Secured funds to provide daily SEL for students in up to 15 rural districts. |

| **Student-Centered Accountability Project (S-CAP)** |
| - Five core districts presented state-wide and nationally on the peer-to-peer accountability system they created that considers multiple measures, accounts for small “n” size, and incorporates peer reviews and specific community engagement strategies. |
| - Awarded funding to expand the effort to 30 rural districts by 2021. Core superintendents and partners trained for expansion through the Billions Institute’s Skid Row School. |

| **STEM Integration** |
| - Created and delivered a four-part workshop for school teams in the SLV BOCES to understand STEM integration through the lens of engineering with significant emphasis on how to use STEM to reach low-income families and second language learners. |

| **Fifth Day** |
| - Five rural school districts funded to design and test solutions around learning during the 5th day for schools that have four-day school weeks. Chosen solutions leveraged the assets of the local community, provided relevant programming to students and families, and had strong probability of sustainability. Video here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fJ7ipspvPb4&feature=youtu.be |

CREC Genesis Groups connect diverse groups of leaders, educators, and partners by hosting regular meetings across the state to discover, share, leverage resources, and plan action around high priority areas.
SHARING COLORADO RURAL EDUCATION COLLABORATIVE VOICE

- **Annual CASE Conferences: Pre-Conference Rural Summits & Receptions**
  - 2017 Rural Summit: 200 educators, policy makers, and workforce representatives gathered at the CASE Pre-Conference to share rural innovations and coalesce around next steps for Genesis Groups

- **USA Funds Pathways to Prosperity Workshop**
  - Thought partnership with and support of the Student-Centered Accountability Program

- **2016 & 2017 Rural Education National Forum**: Presentations on Impacting Teacher Recruitment and Retention: The Rural Collaborative and Impacting the Lives of Expelled and Suspended Students in South-Central Colorado as well as Student-Centered Accountability (hosting Oct. 11–13, 2018 in Colorado)

- **National Grantmakers for Education 2016 Annual Conference**: Presentation on Rural Education Collaboratives: Closing Opportunity Gaps, Generating Prosperity

- **Rural Collaborative Network Participation**: Joining voices with 14 other rural collaboratives across the country supporting issues of rural prosperity

Acting as a combine for resources, since inception, nearly $8M has been secured to support CREC districts in solving their most pressing problems of practice

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CREC INVESTMENTS SINCE 2015

- **Overall CREC**: $205,000
- **Teacher Recruitment & Retention**: $444,500
- **STEM**: $480,000
- **S-CAP**: $1,397,000
- **Teacher & Leader Efficacy**: $1,305,000
- **SEL**: $3,344,095
- **CCR**: $400,000
- **Fifth Day**: $100,000
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