BuCu West/Kitchen Network

**BuCu West**, a community development corporation focused on Westwood’s Morrison Road corridor, runs Colorado’s largest incubator of specialty food businesses: **Kitchen Network**. The Kitchen Network houses a commissary and a bottling company that together serve primarily minority- and women-owned food businesses. The Commissary houses 11 private kitchen suites and one large shared commissary that functions as a springboard for over 200 businesses each year. The Bottling Company supports over 40 small businesses making over 100 shelf-stable products that are sold throughout the United States. Our Social Enterprise Fellows will work with the Kitchen Network to analyze data about the entrepreneurs they serve, helping them to better focus their services on those most in need as they build successful businesses.

Center for Community Wealth Building

The **Center for Community Wealth Building** works to inspire a fundamental shift within individuals, communities, institutions, and systems to support a thriving local economy, and a healthy and sustainable way of life. They focus on creating worker-owned cooperatives and leveraging the economic power of anchor institutions like colleges and hospitals to support local entrepreneurs and businesses. Fellows will work with two anchor institutions that plan to shift to procuring key services through worker-owned cooperatives and local businesses.

Colorado Nonprofit Loan Fund

The **Colorado Nonprofit Loan Fund** has been operating for thirty years under the auspices of The Denver Foundation as a source of bridge funding for nonprofits. The Loan Fund’s Board is bringing on a team of Fellows to examine how the field of nonprofits is evolving, and the scope and scale of their needs for capital. The goal is to determine how the Loan Fund can best serve a changing nonprofit sector.

Mental Health Center of Denver/Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-being

The Mental Health Center of Denver is the anchor of the **Dahlia Campus for Health and Well-being** in Northeast Park Hill. One of the flagship programs at the campus is the Dahlia Farm and Gardens. This two-acre urban farm and greenhouse produce fresh food in the middle of a food desert. Local neighbors have access to the food, and the farm sells the remainder through a social enterprise. The Fellows will be developing a business and sustainability plan for the Dahlia Farm and Gardens.

Uncharted

As a social impact accelerator with a problem-centric approach, **Uncharted** helps ventures do their work better by connecting them to the tools, people, and resources they need to advance impact. Over the past year, in addition to running accelerators, Uncharted has been building out a new collective impact approach in which they bring together players from all sectors to coalesce around an issue and work to tackle it from different angles. They are bringing on a team of Fellows to help them bring these two approaches together in an approach they call “Collective Acceleration.”

The Village Institute

Ellie Adelman, a CiviCO Social Enterprise Fellow from 2018-19, has a vision to create **The Village Institute** as a live/work/learn incubator space for refugee women. She and her team are currently securing a
building in Aurora where they will launch their first residential cohort, open a multicultural childcare
center, and begin providing an initial suite of language, mental health, employment, and family
development services for single mother refugee families. Fellows will work with the Village Institute to
map the ecosystem of services for refugees in Aurora. They will also work with the women themselves
to identify the key measures of success for the Institute.