Community organizers and placemakers cannot conceive, budget and implement long-term solutions when faced with short-term funding instability. That’s why WCS uses a two-prong approach to ensure our stakeholders have the appropriate backing they need to follow through and focus on the future.

Funding a Brighter Future

It takes more than good intentions to create opportunity in communities impacted by generational poverty and municipal disinvestment. Whole Child Strategies (WCS) is a fiscal intermediary that coordinates with responsible, invested partner organizations to connect motivated neighborhood stakeholders with the capital they need to turn bright ideas into a brighter future.

Types of Community Grants

- **Operations/Non-profits**: Financial and organizational support for participant schools
  - **RECIPIENTS:**
    - Family Safety Center
    - and Schools

- **Resource**: Financial support for immediate, basic needs of families and students
  - **RECIPIENTS:**
    - Family Safety Center
    - and Schools

- **Implementation**: Financial support to realize long-term neighborhood growth plans
  - **RECIPIENTS:**

Sustainability

To promote accountability and transparency, WCS distributes grant funding to an array of non-profit organizations and schools that address identified needs/root causes impacting student ABCs (attendance, behavior, and course performance). Together, we seek to empower stakeholders, increase economic equity and diversity, and strengthen social and educational infrastructure.

Advocacy

We foster strategic partnerships with individual donors and financial entities to sustain long-term community investment.

Fundraising

We push for policy changes to reallocate existing public funding in ways that better match the financial, educational and social needs of neighborhoods, schools and families.