

MILE HIGH UNITED WAY BRIDGING THE GAP



CREATING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

Bridging the Gap provides housing and other wraparound supports for young adults as they transition out of the child welfare system and beyond.

What We're Doing

We're grateful for community partners and donors, like you, who help us expand access to safe housing and other wellness supports for young adults across Metro Denver. Thank you!

TRANSFORMATIVE SUPPORT

Participants receive one-on-one coaching from Bridging the Gap staff and community partners to help them achieve their goals. Thank you to TIAA and JPMorgan Chase for sharing their expertise and providing financial learning opportunities, career coaching, such as resume workshops, interview prep and more!

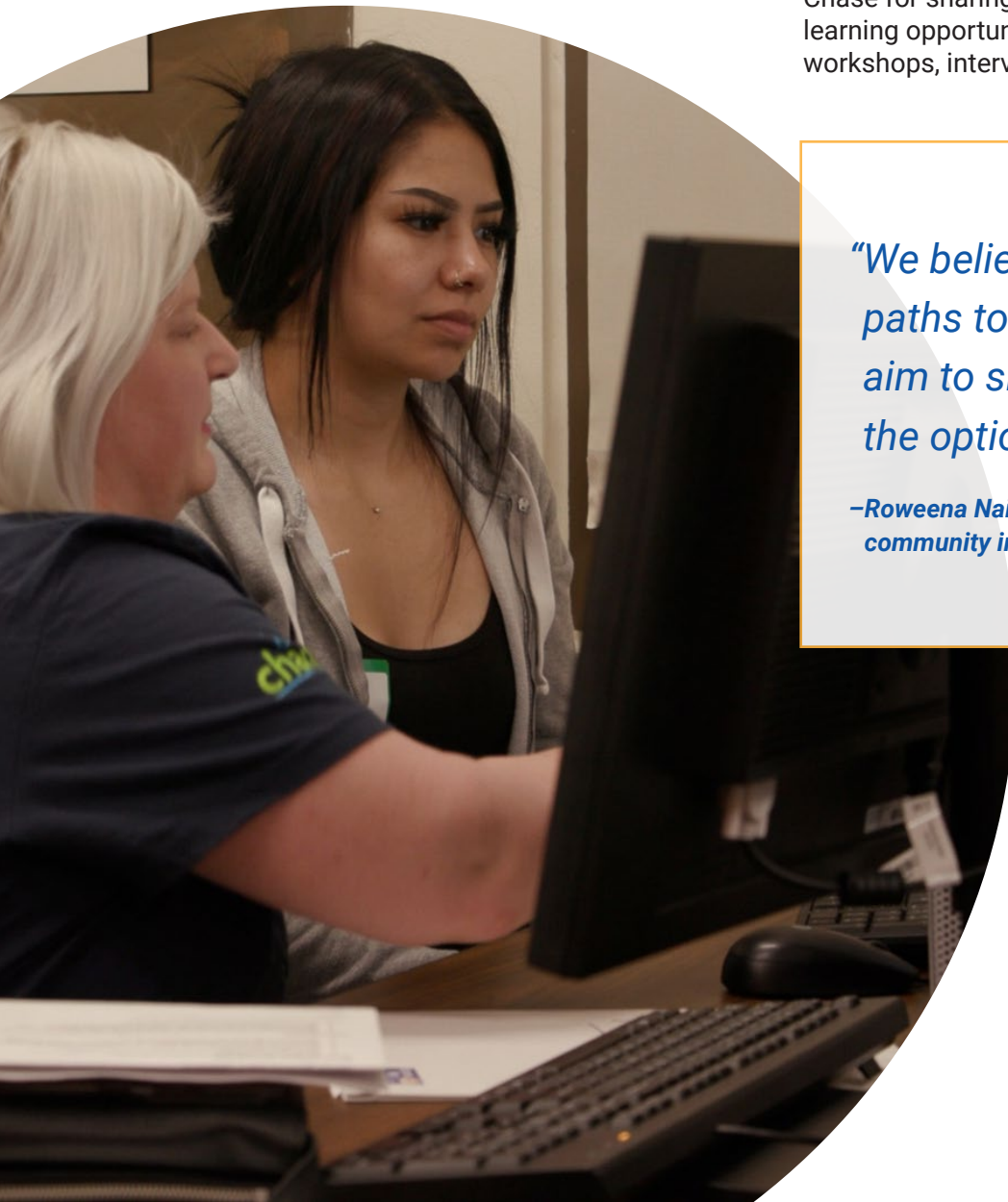
"We believe there are multiple paths to developing a career and aim to show our participants all the options available to them."

—Roweena Naidoo, vice-president of policy and community impact

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of Bridging the Gap participants received at least one coaching service from July 2022 to December 2022



FOCUSED ON HOUSING

You helped us support Senate Bill 23-082 during the 2023 Colorado State Legislative Session. This bipartisan law provides additional housing vouchers and case management support for young adults aging out of the child welfare system. When young adults have a safe, stable place to live, they can focus their time and energy on pursuing other opportunities, including education and professional development, mental health and wellness and other life skills. Thank you for joining us and backing legislative efforts that support our community!

"I've had my voucher for almost six years now, and it has given me a new chance at life. Since being in a stable living situation ... I've gotten reinvolved with the programs that are guiding me to the career that I want to be in: foster care emancipation advocacy."

– Shelby, a Bridging the Gap participant, during her testimony before the Colorado State Senate Health and Human Services Committee.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT IN ACTION

Because of your generosity, 12 Bridging the Gap families received diapers, strollers, car seats, bottles and other essential supplies to care for their children during the 2023 Women United Village.



10 pack and plays



24 strollers



49 carseats



Hundreds of diapers

WE CANNOT DO THIS WITHOUT YOU! VISIT OUR WEBSITE, [UNITEDWAYDENVER.ORG](https://www.unitedwaydenver.org), TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WORK.