



# 2018 Annual Report

# Profile



When elephants give birth in the wild, the whole herd circles around the laboring elephant.

Inspired by elephants, we envision a world where all people have a circle of support for the entire perinatal period.

Our current perinatal health care system is rife with inequities, subpar outcomes, expensive and ineffective interventions, human rights violations, and preventable deaths and complications.

Since the conditions necessary for our vision do not yet exist, we are dedicated to building capacity to create the vision. We are a **birth justice capacity building** organization.

How do we do it? By tackling systems of power and oppression and having strategies for change and resilience, and by having expertise in health systems, legal systems and the perinatal period.

## BY THE NUMBERS:

### REVENUE

Contributions: \$12,340

Fees for Service: \$18,165

Grants: \$51,750

Total Revenue

\$83,196

### EXPENDITURES

Programs: \$43,765

Staffing: \$16,600

Admin: \$7,701

Travel: \$2,576

Total Expenditures

\$70,663

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\$12,532

# EXAMPLES

## Tackling power and oppression

Anti-oppression coaching/consulting/training for 5 orgs.

Collaborate on a special POC led issue of Midwifery Matters.

Confront oppression in Frontier Nursing University & Midwives Alliance of North America.

Fiscal sponsorship for 7 projects.

## Change and resilience

Change and resilience trainings for 7 orgs.

Change and resilience coaching for 3 projects.

Instrumental in Birth Summit IV Pivot and Accountability Process.

## System expertise

Work with the Colorado Access to Reproductive Health Equity (CARE) Coalition.

Work on policy to improve birth in Colorado through midwifery regulation, Medicaid reimbursement for midwives and doulas, substance abuse treatment for pregnant folks.

Co-lead the Colorado Coalition to Protect Children and Family Rights.

Train New Legacy Charter School staff and students about sociobiological and legal issues impacting teen parents.

Provide individual legal counseling for teen parents.

Create and participate in media related to the sociobiology of the perinatal period to advance birth justice.