## Small Funders Peer Group Agenda

## Tuesday, October 1, 2019 from 3pm – 5pm Prodigy Coffeehouse, 3801 E 40th Ave, Denver, CO 80205

Parking: Parking lot and nearby on-street parking

- Welcome and Introductions (15 mins)
  - Introductions:
    - Name
    - Title
    - Organization Name
    - Mission/focus areas/history/anything you want us to know about your organization
    - Fun Fact: Describe your worst/funniest date ever.
- Group Discussion: <u>Alliance for Justice</u> to train on how foundations can engage in and support advocacy (60 mins)
  - O Private and public foundations can play an important role in advocacy by engaging in advocacy themselves and funding their grantees to advocate on their issues. What exactly is advocacy and how does it work? How can foundations safely engage in advocacy? Participants will walk away with a clear understanding of why advocacy is important for them and their grantees, the kinds of advocacy activities foundations (both public and private) can safely engage in, and best practices for grantmaking to give your grantees the most flexibility under the law for their advocacy efforts.
- Group Dialogue (45 mins)
  - o Define a vexing issue for your organization (or an innovative win/success)
  - o Problem solve with colleagues (go around in a circle and discuss ways your organization has dealt with it, or make recommendations/suggestions)
- Next Steps
  - Next meeting date identified and sent out via CAF listserv