



Community Transformation

Our connections with each other and to our community - our social capital - can have a sustainable impact on economic stability, education, and overall health.

Solid community ties, including trust in institutions and within neighborhoods, are associated with robust economic growth, higher academic achievement, and lower crime rates. Strong social connections can even have a greater effect on our health than quitting smoking, losing weight or exercising regularly.

The Community Transformation Group (CTG) is a coalition of businesses, community organizations and individuals working to improve the social capital of the people in Mesa County, one neighborhood at a time.

Our Vision:

Colorado's Grand Valley is a vibrant, caring and connected community where each of us has the relationships and opportunities we need to thrive.

Our Mission:

Improve community health, education and the economy by building social capital in individual neighborhoods.

Why Now?

The Grand Valley has many startling trends that demand the community's attention. Among them: High rates of suicide, children in poverty, child abuse and neglect; and low levels of educational attainment.

Sustainable change can only be achieved through authentic partnerships and by working together toward a common goal.

Our Goals:

By joining the energy and insights of neighborhood residents with the resources of local organizations, we will work to:

- Build a sense of community, social cohesion and influence within neighborhoods.
- Develop neighborhood-based leadership to encourage local solutions and advocacy.
- Promote connections between residents and community organizations.