The Kansas Health Foundation is in the early stages of its equity analysis and strategic planning process. As we further define our work toward health equity and reducing racial inequities, we will be engaging directly with communities with the greatest disparities and creating trusting relationships to make lasting change. We believe it’s important to look at health outcomes and social and economic factors to identify and address these disparities.

As we dive into this work, we know there are emerging opportunities to make investments in organizations and communities doing this type of work. Learn more below about some of the investments we’ve made toward equity in 2021 so far:

### Civic Engagement
- **Destination Innovation ($50,000)**
  Supporting Black and Latino youth programs (Sedgwick County)
- **El Centro in KCK ($25,000)**
  Strengthening Latino communities (statewide)
- **The Neighboring Movement ($50,000)**
  Building stronger neighborhoods (statewide)

### Community Revitalization
- **Empower ($50,000)**
  Community development plan for Latino North End (Sedgwick County)
- **P.O.W.E.R. CDC ($20,000)**
  Redevelopment of Historic Dunbar Theatre in the McAdams neighborhood (Sedgwick County)

### Community Health Workers
- **Made Men ($50,000)**
  Community Health Worker training pilot (Wyandotte County)
- **Promotores/Promotoras at Empower ($50,000)**
  Health workers to serve Latino North End (Sedgwick County)

### Family Supports
- **Wichita Birth Justice Society ($50,000)**
  Reducing racial disparities in maternal and infant mortality (Sedgwick County)
- **Kansas Department for Children and Families ($6,773)**
  Partner with Kansas Racial Equity Collaborative to address racial disparities in the child welfare system (statewide)

To learn more about these organizations and their work, visit [kansashealth.org](http://kansashealth.org).

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