

# WE POWER THE INNOVATORS.

Accelerating new solutions for mental wellness.



## CALL FOR INNOVATORS

Community First Foundation is seeking innovators in metro Denver's nonprofit sector to participate in The Innovators Society 2.0. This year we are focusing on reducing the stigma associated with mental health.

Only 25% of adults with mental health symptoms believed that people are caring and sympathetic to persons with mental illness.

**The Innovators Society**, a program of Community First Foundation, invests in promising, but not yet proven, innovations to increase awareness and change perceptions of mental health.

## The Innovators Society Key Dates

- **Application and Selection Period**  
November 9, 2017 — January 9, 2018
- **Notification Period**  
November 2017 — February 13, 2018
- **Nonprofit Orientation**  
February 20, 2018
- **Pitch Coaching, Workshops and Scrimmage Events**  
March 20 and April 24, 2018
- **Community Pitch Showdown**  
June 5, 2018
- **High-Impact Coaching**  
July — December 2018
- **Grand Prize Event**  
December 2018

## We're Seeking Innovation in Community-Based Approaches that Show Promise in Reducing Stigma

Community First Foundation knows that changing perceptions of mental health and mental illness will require innovation in all pockets of community. We want to find six nonprofit innovators who recognize that their work is reducing the stigma associated with mental health. If that is you, welcome to The Innovators Society! We are giving you the opportunity to apply for an accelerator experience with rigorous coaching and workshops to take your innovation to the next level. In addition, Community First Foundation will give you the opportunity to compete for a portion of \$500,000 and to build a long-lasting network of support.

## NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

Innovations will be selected on a rolling basis starting November 2017. With only six spots available, early submission is highly encouraged. Review the Eligibility Tree to determine if you are eligible. [Apply](#)

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# ELIGIBILITY TREE: ASSESS YOUR FIT BEFORE YOU APPLY

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