Cities of Opportunity Theory of Change

Equipping city leaders to make transformative progress toward health, equity and wellbeing

Our proven framework provides:

Skill building workshops

Content and tools for planning and action

NLC's network of thought leaders and experts

Peer engagement with other cities

Immersive cohortbased learning

NLC's credibility, reputation and brand

So that city leaders...

Develop key capacities

- Race & Equity Lens
- Strategic Data Capacity
- Authentic Community
 Engagement
- Comprehensive Policy Agenda
- Cross-Departmental Alignment
- Effective Multi-Sector
 Partnerships
- Increased & Diversified Funding

Become effective health leaders

- Intentionally center equity in city actions
- Use data to identify priorities and monitor results
- Ensure residents' voices are centered in city health equity priorities
- Develop comprehensive health and wellbeing policies, plans and programs
- Align resources across city departments toward shared goals
- Engage external partners to support city priorities
- Maximize existing and new funding resources

Create lasting and transformative change

All city residents have fair and equitable opportunities for good health and wellbeing in vibrant and inclusive communities.

City leaders are trusted partners to achieve this vision.

Shift thinking

Deepen understanding about the role of cities in promoting systemic change for the health and wellbeing of all residents.

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