



Together Colorado 2017
A Member of the PICO Network

of Active Member Congregations, Schools, Clergy & Faith Leaders: 200
Clergy & Faith Leaders Receiving weekly Faith Voices: 470

Faith Leader/Clergy Caucuses:

Regional Caucuses

- Boulder - 35 participants, Average attendance 20
- Colorado Springs - 10 participants, Average attendance 5
- Metro Denver - 60 participants, Average attendance 30
- Northern CO - 10 participants, Average attendance 5
- Pueblo - S. CO - 25 participants, Average attendance 15
- Western Slope – 25 participants - Average attendance 15
- Jefferson County-initiated in May 2017

Statewide Faith Leader/Clergy Caucus - 2-3 reps from each caucus - meets quarterly

Annual Statewide Faith Leader Gathering - 75 attendees (Fall 2018)

Annual Legislative Breakfast & Lobby Day – 35 attendees (Feb-April 2018)

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Leader Development

Local trainings-in congregations & caucuses-to build capacity to identify & address issues most deeply impacting local communities & engage existing power structures to move policy & structural change.

Regional trainings-bringing together leaders across a region for daylong trainings to further deepen skills, build relationships and learn from one another.

National trainings-through PICO, expanding learning opportunities with leaders from across the country.

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Major Issue Work/ Significant Initiatives:

We currently have 5 Federated Efforts with Leader Teams directing the work:

- Immigration - Won In-State Tuition. DACA Clinics and National immigration reform. Current work includes implementation of Driver's Licenses and protection of the immigrant community
- Lifelines to Healing (Mass Incarceration & the Criminalization of People of Color): Ban the Box (Fair Chance) in Denver, sentencing reform, police accountability/criminal justice reform. Yes on T - Remove exception to Slavery in State Constitution in 2016 (passed legislature, lost at ballot).
- Economic Justice – Won 2016 Increase Minimum Wage - \$12 by 2020. Paid sick leave in 2018. TABOR in 2020.
- Education – 15-year history with significant accomplishments in Denver and Legislature.
- Health Care - Significant success on Children's Health and nationally on SCHIP and ACA. Currently: Build Health, Hot Spotter Program, Transportation barriers

Civic Engagement: We engage congregations during election season in securing signatures for ballot initiatives and pledge to vote commitments from their members as well as an external door to door Get Out the Vote effort.