

## DATA DRIVING

## SOCIAL CHANGE

Shift Research Lab, formerly the Data Initiative, transforms data into actionable information that improves the social sector's ability to serve Colorado's low-income communities. As a service to the metro Denver community, Shift provides nonprofits, governments and other agencies that are working to improve our region with limited technical assistance such as neighborhood mapping and analysis and the creation of visualizations. In addition, we are looking to expand our partnerships with like-minded organizations by participating in more in-depth research projects.

Please review our technical assistance policy to learn if your organization is eligible for support:

### Shift Research Lab's Assistance Policy

- If you are a nonprofit, government, or other social change organization agency working to improve communities in the seven county Denver metro, you are a candidate for support.
- Shift is a small program with limited staff capacity, and, as a result, we cannot fulfill every community request. Our primary consideration is that any service we provide helps your organization to improve the lives of low-income children and families.
- We define technical assistance as requests that cannot be met through independent review of the tools available on our website and will require four hours or less of Shift staff time to complete.
- We do not charge for requests that require less than four hours of staff time, but we ask for permission to share publicly the results of our work, unless they need to be kept confidential.
- Our first priority is to support current Gary Community Investments and The Piton Foundation grantees and organizations that have formal partnerships with our organization. We do not have a set time allocation for grantees or partners and work with them on a case-by-case basis depending on their unique needs.
- We'll contact you as quickly as we can after receiving your request. We will work to help you find the best data to meet your needs as soon as we are able.
- If you are a 3rd party organization seeking to leverage our technology platform development, the Colorado Data Engine, we are available to provide free limited consultation to ensure that you are able to effectively use the application program interface (API). We are also always interested in working with organizations who would like to contribute data into the Colorado's Data Engine's database.