INTRODUCTORY ROUNDTABLES

The McCune Charitable Foundation has a multi-participant approach to meetings with organizations that are interested in sharing their work with us and learning more about ours. Following this approach, we aim to more effectively respond to the high number of meeting requests we receive, as well as to foster new peer-to-peer connections across the state’s non-profit sector.

Rather than a traditional “pitch” meeting, our intention is to create a space to share ideas, discoveries and challenges as we get to know one another. We hope participants will leave not only with a better understanding of our work, but also with new connections to others in the sector.

At Introductory Roundtables, McCune staff will give a brief overview of the work of the Foundation and then invite participants from up to four organizations to share an overview of their work with the group. Q&A time will allow for participants to ask questions of each other as well as Foundation staff.

Depending on the number of attendees, these gatherings run one-and-a-half to two hours. Each gathering brings together a maximum of four organizations with up to two participants each. We are hosting exclusively via Zoom in 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We hope to resume in-person options in various locations in future years.

Prior to attending an Introductory Roundtable, please consult the meeting format below—while we want to facilitate an informal space for conversation, we balance that with a shared structure so that all can be heard.

INTRODUCTORY ROUNDTABLE MEETING FORMAT

1) McCune staff will give a brief (up to fifteen minute) presentation on the work of the Foundation, areas of current learning (discoveries/challenges), and updates.

2) Each attending organization will have up to ten minutes to talk about their work, including:
   a) A brief overview of organizational mission and community/ies served
   b) A description of a key program or initiative
   c) Any compelling challenges or discoveries the organization is exploring

3) Following each organization’s sharing of their work, there will be a brief Q & A period (up to five minutes) before moving to the next organization. Once all have had the opportunity to share their work, we open up the conversation space for general Q & A.