

## **Partners for Places Project Lessons Report**

**Project Name:** Park City Community – Climate Drawdown

• Year Complete: 2021

• Local Government: Park City, UT

• Local Foundation: Park City Community Foundation

## **Project Purpose**

To co-develop an equitable building decarbonization and efficiency plan to help meet Park City's net-zero carbon goals by 2030.

## **Key Lessons Learned**

Building a strong local funder/local government relationship can be summarized with the following African proverb, "if you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." A strong local funder/local government partnership requires time, trust, and a shared and sincere interest in building a more resilient and equitable future. Both the local government and the local funder thankfully share the same commitment towards equitably addressing climate change in Park City.

A few lessons learned and would like to share with other local governments committed to advancing local sustainability goals include:

- 1. Prioritize equity during the planning and implementation process
- 2. Local governments and community partners can never do too much climate education and outreach to build community buy-in
- 3. Utilize your network with other local governments and adapt successful programs/policies to your local context
- 4. Communication and collaboration among multiple municipal departments is critical for successful implementation of building decarbonization policies

## **Additional Information and Resources**

Park City was featured as a case study in the World Wildlife Fund Urban Solutions Project <u>here</u>. Learn more about Park City's continuing Community and Municipal Carbon Footprint work <u>here</u>.