



# DHS News

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## **DHS selected to join Kresge Foundation's national social and economic mobility initiative**

DHS was recently selected by the Kresge Foundation to take part in its Next Generation (NextGen) Initiative, a two-year national collaborative project that also includes a \$500,000 cash award. DHS will join nine other private nonprofit and public human service organizations in working to improve the social and economic mobility of families with low incomes.

The NextGen initiative is designed to support organizations committed to person-centered, outcomes-based, data-driven work that advances racial equity using two-generation, whole family approaches. The collaboration hopes to create solutions that go beyond traditional human services delivery methods and move toward new ways to break the cycle of poverty.

Funding from the grant will help the county in its efforts to promote social and economic mobility strategies that increase the quantity, quality and reach of participant-led initiatives, throughout DHS and in its Family Support Network and Office of Community Services (OCS).