

# Rachel B. Cohen

11802 S. Elk Creek Rd | Pine, CO 80470 | Rachel@Aging-Dynamics.com | 215.868.1865

---

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Aging Dynamics, Denver, CO 2015-Present**

Principal/Owner

Lead a client-centered firm committed to developing and sustaining healthy communities for all ages. Through facilitation, stakeholder engagement, strategy design, coalition building, and organizational analysis provide multi sector (public health, aging services, health care, housing, community development) clients (public and private) with the means to create sustainable solutions to complex challenges.

### **Health Dimensions Group, Denver, CO 2013-2015**

Vice President of Organizational Strategy

Managed a national strategy practice focused on senior housing and services utilizing visual facilitation techniques to guide Boards of Directors, executive staff and community stakeholders in positioning for success in a rapidly evolving health care environment, develop new programs, and build strategic partnerships.

### **CliftonLarsonAllen, Philadelphia, PA and Denver, CO 2008-2013**

Director

Led strategic planning and managed market research for health care, senior housing and service clients. Identify strategic partners for collaborative efforts and facilitate development of interdisciplinary relationships. Evaluate efficiency, sustainability and feasibility of home and community-based services programs.

### **Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, Philadelphia, PA 2004-2008**

Planner

Established and managed the Senior Collaborative, a city-wide group of organizations creating solutions to sustain healthy communities for all ages. Managed program evaluation and development. Provided technical assistance to community-based organizations. Researched and submitted funding proposals to support existing and develop new programs.

### **People's Emergency Center Community Development Corp., Philadelphia, PA 2003-2004**

Project Manager

Managed community development projects including housing rehabilitation, facade improvements and vacant lot maintenance programs. Researched and submitted fundraising proposals and planned fundraising events. Conducted neighborhood planning process through development of partnerships and creating a culture of community engagement.

### **National Wildlife Federation, Ann Arbor, MI 1999-2001**

Brownfields Coordinator

Developed and managed a program to build the capacity of community stakeholders in Detroit and Milwaukee to partner with funders, policy makers and developers in grassroots driven redevelopment efforts. Built coalitions, facilitated partnerships, and provided education through workshops and one on one training.

## EDUCATION

**Master of Urban Planning**, College of Architecture and Urban Planning, 2002  
**Master of Social Work**, School of Social Work; Certificate: Specialist in Aging, 2002  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

**Bachelor of City Planning**, Major: Urban and Environmental Planning, 1996  
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

## PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIPS/LEADERSHIP

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:** Community Development Work Study  
Program Fellow, 2001-2002

**University of Michigan, School of Social Work:** Hartford Geriatric Fellow, 2001-2002

**National Congress for Community Economic Development:** Emerging Leaders Program,  
Washington D.C., 2001

## TEACHING

**University of Colorado Denver: 2023-Present** Change Makers Program

**Metropolitan State University of Denver: 2017-2018** Department of Social Work,  
Course: Advanced Policy and Programming; Program Need, Design and Development;  
Program Management and Organizational Leadership

**Temple University, Philadelphia, PA: 2005-2008** Department of Community and Regional  
Planning, Courses: Community Development and Affordable Housing; Introduction to Planning

## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

### **Kavod Senior Life 2015- 2022**

Board Member; Co-chair Strategic Planning Committee; Co-Chair Annual Fundraising Event  
Provide leadership and expertise on development of affordable housing, aging in community,  
creating livable communities and strategic planning.

### **LeadingAge Colorado Denver 2012-2015**

Board Member

Provided leadership for Colorado's largest and oldest nonprofit organization representing senior  
housing and service providers.

### **Rebuilding Together Philadelphia 2006-2014**

Honorary Board Member 2012-2014; Board of Directors, 2011-2012; Member 2006-2012  
Provided organizational leadership and development. Engage in fundraising and participate in  
executive board meeting. Served on the Public Relations Committee.