MISSION
The Center for Public Affairs Research collaboratively produces and disseminates high-quality public scholarship about topics that impact the lives of Nebraskans.

VALUES

COLLABORATIVE
Fostering connections between faculty; scholars; students; and community, statewide, and national partners to produce transformative public scholarship.

PURPOSEFUL
Focusing on timely topics in order to provide inclusive and actionable solutions to improve the lives of Nebraskans.

ASPIRATIONAL
Leading in the application of innovative and creative methods to conduct and communicate our research to further its impact in our community.

RESEARCH INTEGRITY
Conducting objective, high-quality research to create an evidence base for decision makers in Nebraska.

CPAR’s formal relationship with the U.S. Census Bureau gives it first-hand knowledge about the decennial census and ongoing survey efforts. CPAR helps Nebraskans learn about the latest population trends and new data products, provides engagement opportunities, and generates statewide connections/collaborations between elected officials, planners, educators, the business community, media, policymakers, and others. We are so thankful for their creative, top quality, and team approach while serving as a key driver in the 2020 Census leading Nebraska to the 4th best self-response in the country.

“Blanca Ramirez-Salazar, partnership specialist
United States Census Bureau

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Senator Matt Williams
District 46, Nebraska Legislature

Working with CPAR on a statewide youth survey resulted in better data and gave the project legitimacy we wouldn’t have had otherwise. Bottom line, CPAR’s partnership allowed NCF to give Greater Nebraska a tool that can change the trajectory of population growth in the next generation.

K.C. Belitz, chief operating officer
Nebraska Community Foundation

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