The National Girls Collaborative Project (NGCP) is a large network of individuals, programs, and organizations sharing resources and collaborating to better engage girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

**How does NGCP increase collaboration?**

**Events:**
8,000+ have attended across the U.S.
For networking and sharing resources

**Mini-Grants:**
18,000+ girls have benefited from mini-grant projects
Facilitating collaboration among girl-serving STEM organizations

**The Connectory:**
For searching 4,300+ STEM programs to find partners to collaborate with
www.theconnectory.org

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**Why Collaborate?**

High levels of collaboration among educators and programs engaging girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) increases the efficiency and effectiveness and overall capacity of programs and therefore increases opportunities and improves experiences for girls in STEM.

82% helped us better serve girls
78% increased girls’ interest in STEM
77% helped my program be more effective
77% increased girls’ confidence in STEM

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"It has helped me to expand my network, and I think helped the industry as a whole think more about collaboration and what it means to do it effectively."
— NGCP Participant

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"The NGCP was a great asset in helping us connect with new partners and helping us develop stronger collaborations."
— NGCP Participant
Effective mini-grants leverage the resources and expertise of the partnering programs to provide more high-quality opportunities for girls to be engaged in STEM. More than 90% of mini-grant recipients report that collaboration helped them better serve girls in their program.

Mini-grants have long-term impact.

- 74% continue their mini-grant activities
- 85% continue to work with mini-grant partners

“NGCP has given us a venue and system to build connections with existing resources and programs in the area while we continue to expand our network to include more STEM programs, out-of-school time programs, K-12 educators & administrators and experts from STEM fields.”

— NGCP Participant

Who is attending NGCP in-person events?

- Professional Organization 4%
- Business/Industry 6%
- Government Representative/Researcher/Evaluator 4%
- Informal Education/Community-Based or Non-profit Organization 32%
- Higher Education 23%
- K-12 23%

The most common uses of The Connectory (formerly NGCP Program Directory) are to find resources or ideas from other programs and locate nearby programs.

- NGCP participants connect with an average of 26 people through NGCP

Meeting or learning about new people or organizations is the most likely factor to increase levels of collaboration.

- 70% of NGCP event attendees followed-up with somebody they met at the event