

**Monthly Connect: NC Office of Strategic Partnerships:
Reflecting Back and Looking Forward**

Thursday, December 5, 9:00am-10:15am

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Governor Cooper launched the work of the NC Office of Strategic Partnerships (OSP) to address the disconnect between NC's vast research expertise and state government's increased focus on evidence-based decision making; and to increase engagement and partnership between state government and NC's strong and committed philanthropy sector.

OSP created a model for identifying and launching government-research and government-philanthropy partnerships. The collective work of partners across sectors has engaged thousands of participants in enhancing government's use of research *and* engagement with philanthropy. This happens through specific cross-sector partnerships, education and training opportunities, multidisciplinary convenings, and other strategies.

Interest in and demand for research to inform state government priorities is high. Opportunities abound for state government to partner with the research and philanthropic sectors to generate and use evidence for decision making.

In this 50th *OSP Monthly Connect*, speakers will reflect on the impact of cross-sector partnerships, North Carolina state government's commitment to using data and evidence, and the potential to build on the momentum of these efforts. OSP Advisory Group co-chairs Jennifer Mundt and Oliver Thomas will facilitate this Monthly Connect, which will include remarks from Governor Roy Cooper. There will be time for Q&A.

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Speakers



Governor Roy Cooper
State of North Carolina



Eliza Edwards
Deputy Director, OSP



Tim Griffith
Evidence Advisor, OSP



Charlotte Hudson
Director, Lenfest Ocean Program, The Pew Charitable Trusts; Member, OSP Advisory Group



Juli Kim
Philanthropy Liaison, OSP



Jennifer Mundt
Assistant Secretary of
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Jenni Owen
Director, OSP



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Associate Vice Chancellor of
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