



**Abriendo Puertas**  
**Opening Doors**



Aspen Institute taps Abriendo Puertas to join prestigious Ascend Network

Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors has been named to the new [Ascend Network](#) at the Aspen Institute, joining a group of leading national organizations and experts working to create a portfolio of two-generation solutions through practice, policy, evidence building and political will. The Ascend Network seeks to influence policy and practice changes that increase economic security, educational success, social capital, and health and well-being for children, parents, and their families.

Abriendo Puertas is one of the 58 initial members of the Ascend Network, identified from a selective national competition. More than 250 organizations applied to join the Network and receive funding from the Aspen Institute Ascend Fund. The selected organizations ranged from community colleges seeking to better serve student parents and their children, to early childhood centers engaging parents in pathways to employment, to two-generation partnerships spearheaded by Promise Neighborhoods, United Ways, and women's foundations.

Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors will use Ascend Fund support to develop a mobile bilingual AP app, designed to provide parents with accessible, useful information and resources to support their everyday lives, parenting needs and activities. Input from AP parents throughout the country will inform the design and content of the app, with the aim of creating a useful and accessible resource.

Together, Abriendo Puertas and other partners are designing and delivering programs and policies to create a legacy of opportunity that passes from one generation to the next.

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