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The Fundred Dollar Bill Project has progressed over the years to become a national artist-led project, currently operating in partnership between Mel Chin Studio and MIT CoLab. The project has evolved and grown as a direct result of the support of our previous partners, collaborators, funders and supporters. Some of those include:

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In 2008, the project was publicly announced and the Safehouse was introduced in New Orleans as a depository for the first Fundreds. Scientific solutions to lead contaminated soil were explored in the city of New Orleans and the project was activated nationwide.



In 2013, an entire school district piloted a Fundred program integrating arts, health and lead poisoning prevention lessons, reaching over 46,000 students in Charlotte, NC.

In 2010, a specially designed armored truck was driven on a 20,000 mile route cross-country to collect the hundreds of thousands of Fundreds and to participate in over one hundred Fundred events orchestrated by schools and museums nationwide.



In 2014, an animated video PSA campaign was launched in Los Angeles and seen on 2,000 Metro buses reaching millions of riders. An art exhibition in Grand Rapids, MI, brought together public health specialists, educators and designers to creatively explore challenges and solutions to lead poisoning.





The MIT Community Innovators Lab (CoLab), situated within the Department of Urban Studies and Planning, partnered with the Fundred Project to develop new tools for communities to get involved, including a creative strategies toolkit.



In 2016, the Fundred Pallet was brought to Washington DC and presented at the National Lead Summit - a convening of 250 leaders and experts committed to ending lead poisoning in five years.

In 2016-2017, the project headquarters moved to Washington DC

Corcoran School of the Arts & Design hosted an exhibition, Fundred

Reserve, across the street from the White House. The historic Corcoran

façade, rotunda, atrium, and galleries housed the 453,168 hand-drawn

Fundreds, the Safehouse Door, project archive, and new student works

related to the issues of lead, and brought together artists, educators,

to launch engagement with local schools and policymakers. The

In 2015, a special university course in Cincinnati paired the Fundred Project and the Health Department's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program with student artists and designers to develop creative projects, community conversations and public events to raise awareness of local lead issues.



