About Funders Together

- ~160 members in 30 U.S. states and Canada
- 3 regional networks: Los Angeles, Houston, San Diego
- Work closely with affiliates in Seattle and Boston
- Building networks in Denver, Phoenix, Florida
What We Do

- We connect members with each other and promote sharing/implementation of best practices and lessons learned
- Paint the national picture ... and connect local with national
- Represent your voice in Washington, DC

Educator  |  Connector  |  Advocate
Tools We Provide

**Learning Series**
The Funders Together Learning Series is designed for funders. This series will inform your grantmaking and advocacy efforts through blog posts, fact sheets, toolkits, webinars, and in-person meetings.

**Networking Series**
The Funders Together Networking Series helps grantmakers develop strategic relationships, exchange valuable information, and highlight their work with other funders across the United States and Canada.

**Systems Change**
Funders are setting aside short-term successes to prioritize sustainable results. Government agencies are breaking down silos that can get them stuck. How can a systems approach accelerate change in your community?

**Regional Funders Networks**
Collaboration and partnership are at the heart of our national approach to ending homelessness. Learn how our regional funders networks are making progress in their communities.

**Effective Grantmaking to End Homelessness**
Many resources offer guidance on the effectiveness of your grantmaking, but few provide specific advice about grantmaking to end homelessness. These resources do just that.

**Advocacy for Funders**
What does funding advocacy look like? How do you measure success in your advocacy grants? What can you do to advocate as a philanthropic leader?
What Our Members Bring

- Stories/examples of what works
- Pilot programs/innovation
- Government and sector partnerships
- Leveraged and aligned resources
So what are our members doing...
Employment

Our members are:

- Funding innovative employment programs
- Demonstrating that high-barrier populations *can* be served effectively
- Beginning to have a voice at the federal level

Butler Family Fund

The Paul and Phyllis Fireman Charitable Foundation

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Housing

Our members are:

- Advocating for the vital need for affordable housing – at the local and federal levels
- Funding unique housing initiatives (Boston, Florida)

Home Funders

Melville Charitable Trust

Miami Coalition for the Homeless

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Chronic and Veterans Homelessness

Our members are:

- Leveraging federal and state $
- Partnering with PHA’s, Mental Health, Police, etc.
- Leveraging the ACA
- Creating funders networks

LA Home for Good
Polk Bros. Foundation
Funders Together San Diego
Funders Together Houston
Family Homelessness

Our members are:

- Supporting rapid re-housing
- Creating bridges between systems
- Building capacity of providers
- Connecting with employment opportunities
Youth Homelessness

Our members are:

- Developing community systems that effectively prevent and end youth homelessness by:
  - Connecting with systems that serve youth
  - Collecting data on youth and collecting research on effective solutions
  - Supporting innovative programs

Funders Together
Seattle Youth Funders
LA Funders
Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland

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Why Be a Part of Funders Together?

BUILD KNOWLEDGE
RECRUIT PARTNERS
SHARE YOUR VISION
WIN FRIENDS & INFLUENCE PEOPLE
HAVE FUN!
BE A CATALYST TO END HOMELESSNESS
Why Today’s Meeting Is Valuable

- Share your accomplishments and best practices
- Together identify challenges and lessons learned
- Work towards greater funder alignment and collaboration
- Build relationships!