

FTEH IMPACT REPORT

Every year, Funders Together to End Homelessness embarks on a journey to uphold our mission of expanding philanthropy's impact and influence to advance the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

This Impact Report provides an overview of the "whats", "hows", and "whos" involved in achieving the work behind our mission in 2017.

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Reflections from our CEO

Thank You for the Proximity to Hope



I was recently asked what was the most meaningful part of my work with Funders Together. Without hesitation, I answered with what I reflect on daily: I am blessed to be among people who tirelessly work for their community, our country, and, most importantly, people they may never meet; because they believe ending homelessness is imperative to our humanity. That housing is not only a basic right, it is the pathway to opportunity.

In my faith tradition, we often speak of our joys and concerns. This year, our collective work to end homelessness faced a lot of concern. But it is important to take time to reflect on the joy that comes with the proximity to hope. Even in times that feel so uncertain, we have a unique opportunity through our grantees, partners, and the centering of people with lived experience to see the joy that comes with a home. We see the joy in communities working together to break

down silos and create systems that are responsive and lead to *real change* in people's lives. I see joy in our collective work to expand philanthropy's impact and influence to advance the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

Everything we accomplish at Funders Together happens because of the leadership of our board, the incredible network of members who help each other learn, and our partners who help us lift up best practices and challenge our thinking. We are also grateful to our members who invest in our mission to ensure philanthropy's collective voice can be an instrumental part of the broader movement and bring greater financial and intellectual resources to the work to end homelessness.

This year, we have accomplished together:

- **Planned for the Future.** Our new strategic goals will help us move from learning to action.
- **Raised Our Voice.** We have built partnerships with the new administration to enable a smooth transition and the continuation of evidence-based practices that are proving effective in ending homelessness. This has included meeting with Secretary Carson early in his term, developing policy guides for philanthropy and sharing best practices and timely policy alerts that highlight opportunities for funders to be part of policy change and bring the collective voice of philanthropy to advocacy at both the local and national level.
- **Committed to Addressing [Racial Inequity in Ending Homelessness](#).** This has been the focus of the past two Funders Institutes, and this year our board formed a racial equity working group of our members to guide a learning agenda for philanthropy to have a common understanding of the history and current structural issues that lead to racial inequity in preventing and ending homelessness. The work of this group also educates and empowers members to effect change in their grantmaking and overall work within their community with a racial equity lens.
- **Expanded Our Learning.**
 - At our Funders Forum in February, we offered space for philanthropy to think about working with the new administration and offered practical ways we could work together on advocacy, as well highlighted learnings from Foundations for Youth Success. Our 2018 Funders Forum will explore philanthropy's role

in ending family and youth homelessness by focusing on prevention, intersectionality, building public will, and data.

- This year's Funders Institute, in partnership with the National Alliance to End Homelessness annual conference in July, for the first time offered content exclusively for philanthropy throughout the conference in addition to our full-day learning focused on addressing racial inequity.
- We launched our first issue-based network on ending youth homelessness after completing our two-year community of practice, Foundations for Youth Success, and continue to be active in the steering and policy committee of A Way Home America.
- Kicked off our second community of practice, Foundations for Employment and Housing, which starts in 2018. There is still time to join!
- Partnered with United Way World Wide and began United Ways Ending Homelessness to develop learning and best practices for our member United Ways in recognition of their unique role in their community.
- Offered 11 virtual learning opportunities that provided tailored learning for philanthropy to consider their role in best practices and emerging topics around preventing and ending homelessness.
- **Expanded Our Network.** Because homelessness has no single cause or solution, and recognizing that ending homelessness requires us to be intersectional, we have:
 - Joined the United Philanthropy Forum which connects a diverse network of more than 60 regional and national philanthropy-serving organizations (PSOs) to lead change and increase impact in philanthropy. I am also honored to serve on their board.
 - Developed new partnerships and learning opportunities with regional associations of grantmakers and PSOs that focus on health, education, civic engagement, youth, and LGBTQ issues.
 - Presented at a wide range of conferences to engage a broader network of philanthropy focused on ending homelessness and housing stability.
- **Communicated Our Collective Impact.**
 - Highlighted the leadership role of philanthropy through our blog, member news, and featured member profiles.
 - Have seen our members featured in a series of Inside Philanthropy articles.
 - Developed messaging guides for our members and the broader movement about philanthropy's unique role in ending homelessness.

I find joy in all that we have accomplished together because I know it means we are making progress and addressing the many concerns in our movement to prevent and end homelessness. I wish you a peaceful holiday season. I am confident we will all find that glimpse of hope that keeps us motivated to continue our commitment to a more just and caring community; where everyone has a place to call home.

Amanda Andere

CEO

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Strategic Plan
Mission, Vision, Values

Strategic Goals

In 2016, Funders Together staff and board members engaged in a 2-day strategic planning session, setting goals for the next three years around our organization's mission to advance philanthropy's role in the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

We listened to our members' feedback, analyzed the country's political landscape, and examined trends, as well as gaps, in priorities to guide our strategic plan. As a result, Funders Together crafted a plan focused on five main objectives that will allow us to stay on course with our organizational mission of expanding philanthropy's impact and influence to advance the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

Advocacy

Funders Together to End Homelessness will strengthen philanthropy's voice and impact in advocacy and policy to prevent and end homelessness.

What this means for our members: Funders Together will provide philanthropy-oriented resources on what it means to engage in or fund advocacy efforts. We will also educate our members on various advocacy opportunities and how they can be involved within the legal limitations. Funders Together will advocate on our members' behalf around public policy issues and participate in opportunities with policy makers at both the local and national level when appropriate.

Programming

Funders Together to End Homelessness programs and resources are utilized by philanthropy to make a significant contribution to the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

What this means for our members: Funders Together will provide tailored and timely programming opportunities for members in the form of in-person events, webinars, online resources, small group calls, and email alerts. These programs and resources will keep our members abreast of FTEH and partner happenings, alert them to opportunities to network and learn with peers, and advance knowledge of best practices in the field.

The FTEH Network

Funders Together to End Homelessness will operate in a more networked way with our members and partners so that individuals will be more connected with one another for learning and action through more of a movement-building approach.

What this means for our members: Funders Together will provide networking and learning opportunities in which members can connect and collaborate at the local and/or national level on homelessness initiatives. Through our in-person events, communities of practice, and funder networks, members can connect on issue-focused learnings as well as explore the prospect of working together on a wide range of issues.

Addressing Racial Inequity

Funders Together to End Homelessness will engage philanthropy to address racial inequity in homelessness, recognizing that unequal access to housing is the biggest inequity issue.

What this means for our members: By naming racial inequity in homelessness as a priority, Funders Together is committing to helping our members start a learning journey to understand the history and current structural issues that lead to racial inequities within homelessness. We will provide resources and spaces for discussion that will help us learn about racial inequity and work together to change our field.

Operational Sustainability

Funders Together to End Homelessness has a strong diversified income stream and plans for long-term effective governance and talent development.

What this means for our members: In order to serve the homelessness and philanthropic fields to the best of our ability, Funders Together must work hard to maintain an active and diverse board, talented and knowledgeable staff, and long-term financial sustainability. We will always strive to improve our operational sustainability, so we can continue to provide quality networking opportunities and useful resources for our members

What Our Work Means for Ending Homelessness

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Funders Together to End Homelessness is a robust network of more than 230 philanthropic organizations from across the United States who are dedicated to preventing and ending homelessness. Because homelessness has no single cause or solution, our members are engaged in various kinds of grantmaking. Some are specifically focused on homelessness, while others work to improve related areas like health care, education, workforce development, child welfare, domestic violence, and food security. Our members include representatives from all types of foundations—private, operating, family, community, etc.—as well as individual donors, corporate giving programs, and United Ways.

Because of the diversity of our membership, Funders Together to End Homelessness provides an array of programming, resources, and technical assistance through:

- Connecting members to a large national network of innovative and strategic funders
- Creating opportunities for members to engage at the national and regional levels
- Providing a wide range of networking opportunities for members to share with and learn from peers and experts
- Sharing resources and information about best practices and strategies to maximize the impact of philanthropy's grantmaking towards homelessness solutions
- Advancing a larger national movement to prevent and end homelessness

We believe philanthropy can uniquely contribute to the movement to prevent and end homelessness. Funders Together to End Homelessness is committed to empowering, informing, and facilitating this contribution.

The following is a look at how we focused our efforts in 2017 for our members and what it means for the movement to prevent and end homelessness.

Engaging with Members

Advocacy and Policy

Racial Inequity in Homelessness

Raising the Profile of Philanthropy

Knowledge is Power

Engaging with Members

At its core, Funders Together exists to connect members to each other, partners, and learning opportunities that will provide and cultivate knowledge and understanding of how philanthropy can collectively advance the movement to end homelessness. We do this by creating programming specific to the needs of funders and utilizing our connections and resources to facilitate meaningful conversation and relationship-building between our members and partners.

Online Learning Opportunities

In 2017, Funders Together hosted 11 webinars with nearly 160 combined attendees. Webinars are an opportunity for Funders Together to highlight timely and important issues and best practices for members, and to provide action items for implementing changes in their work both internally and externally. In 2017, webinars included topics like advocacy and policy, connecting health and housing, youth homelessness, family homelessness, taking solutions to scale, and employment.

In-Person Convenings

In addition to regular webinars, Funders Together hosts two annual events, the Funders Forum and Funders Institute. These events provide networking opportunities for funders locally and nationally and create a more networked environment for members and funders working to end homelessness.

In February 2017, Funders Together hosted its annual Funders Forum in conjunction with the National Conference on Ending Family and Youth Homelessness in Houston, TX. The Forum highlighted learnings from Foundations for Youth Success and provided opportunities for participants to share directly with peers. The Forum also highlighted opportunities and challenges in working with the Administration and Congress. After a panel discussion, participants broke into groups to brainstorm ways that funders could play a role in their community and at the national level. In 2017, the Funders Forum drew 36 funders, representing 27 organizations.

In July 2017, Funders Together hosted its annual Funders Institute in conjunction with the National Conference on Ending Homelessness in Washington, D.C. The Institute continued Funders Together's work around racial inequity in homelessness for a full-day on Monday. Throughout the conference, Funders Together hosted additional workshops highlighting timely information including policy and advocacy, employment, and intersectional issues like health and criminal justice. The 2017 Funders Institute drew 59 funders from across the country, representing 39 organizations.

You can view past events, including agendas and speakers on the Past Event page on the Funders Together website.

Youth Homelessness Funder Network and Leadership Committee

At the conclusion of Funders Together's first community of practice, Foundations for Youth Success, members wanted to continue learning and meeting, and invite other funders to join them. Funders Together began

planning and organizing a Youth Network, open to all funders, that provides programming and resources focused on youth homelessness.

In addition to the larger Youth Funder Network, Funders Together also developed a smaller Leadership Committee made up of funders who are committed to the following:

1. Using their voice for policy and advocacy.
2. Sharing and highlighting work and best practices for funders.
3. Serving as peer network for funders in this space.
4. Supporting national efforts around youth homelessness both financially and with their voice.

Foundations for Employment and Housing

After the success of Foundations for Youth Success, Funders Together began planning a second community of practice, this one to be a two-year venture focused on strengthening the connection between the employment and our efforts to end homelessness. In October 2017, Funders Together convened a group of funders interested in participating in Foundations for Employment and Housing at the Heartland Alliance Connection Project convening to plan how the community would be structured and what members aimed to take away from the group. Officially kicking off in 2018, community members meet regularly to learn from one another and from experts. At the end of year one, community members will determine a shared action that they will take to move this work forward.

United Ways Ending Homelessness

In partnership with United Way Worldwide, Funders Together launched a Community of Practice for United Ways working to end homelessness in their communities. Members meet virtually, every month, to support one another, share updates, and to work together to strengthen United Way's work to end homelessness nationally and locally.



Because of
this work

Through events, webinars, networks, and communities of practice, Funders Together to End Homelessness has created a more networked environment for members and funders working to end homelessness. By providing learning opportunities, both in-depth and issue focused, and action items for implementing changes in their work, it has helped members become essential change makers in their community.

Advocacy and Policy

Philanthropy cannot “fill the gap” or solve homelessness on its own. It needs the knowledge and support of partners and the opportunity to leverage government dollars, which philanthropic funding pales in comparison to. Funders Together’s advocacy and policy efforts work two-fold: 1) build relationships with government officials on behalf of philanthropy and 2) educate and inform members on various advocacy opportunities in which philanthropy is able to engage.

Advocacy on Behalf of our Members

Going into 2017, Funders Together was optimistic about the prospect of building relationships with the new federal administration. We were hopeful that the leaders of agencies, such as the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), would value the voice of philanthropy and take advantage of public-private partnerships to achieve our shared goals. After Dr. Ben Carson’s confirmation as HUD Secretary, Funders Together issued a statement expressing our desire to partner with HUD and support public-private partnerships.

On various occasions throughout 2017, Funders Together CEO, Amanda Andere, represented the voice of philanthropy and discussed best practices in ending homelessness and highlight the importance of philanthropic partners with various federal partners at HHS, FYSB, and HUD, including meeting with Secretary Carson. Funders Together also continued the important work of reaching out to key members of Congress to communicate our values and support our partners policy platforms.

In addition to working with the federal administration, Funders Together has been closely partnering with our national colleagues at the National Alliance to End Homelessness, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Heartland Alliance, National Coalition for Homeless Vets, and the National Health Care for the Homeless Council to participate in national advocacy campaigns to protect the Affordable Care Act and increase federal funding for homelessness and affordable housing programs.

Providing Education and Engagement Opportunities around Advocacy and Policy

We believe philanthropy has a voice in addressing and advancing solutions to prevent and end it through advocacy. Providing funders with ample and timely resources to educate them on how to properly and effectively use this voice and support them in their advocacy and policy endeavors is an essential part of this work. These resources include Funders Together Policy Priorities, Priorities for the New Congress and Administration Messaging Guide, and Advocacy for Funders Resources page.

In addition, we hosted 5 webinars that addressed a range of advocacy focused topics to engage funders around these efforts. These webinars include:

- Engaging Healthcare Partners to Advocate for Housing
- Making Progress on Ending Family Homelessness
- What Funders Need To Know- The Federal Budget
- Policy Update: Using Our Voice in the New Year
- Advocacy 101 for Funders

We also provided five blog posts which supplemented and complimented our advocacy resources and online programming. These blog posts included:

- How Will Tax Reform Affect Affordable Housing?
- Five Things Funders Should Know About the Federal Budget
- Why the Federal Budget Matters and What to Do About It
- Funders Together Statement on Confirmation of Dr. Ben Carson as Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development
- Advancing the Community Through Advocacy: Los Angeles & Proposition HHH

Keeping Our Members Abreast of Timely Policy Issues

The political landscape is an ever changing one and developments happen at a pace that can be hard to keep up with. In order to help decipher policy updates and learn about ways to engage in the work, we produce Advocacy and Policy Update email communications that highlight and condense in digestible context timely federal issues that affect homelessness efforts at the national, state, and local levels. These updates also compile resources to further aid in the understanding of these policy developments and what opportunities funders have to engage themselves and support their grantees to advocate. In 2017, we sent more than 10 Advocacy and Policy updates to our members throughout the year.

Advocacy and policy updates were also a main component at our two largest in-person annual events:

- *2017 Funders Forum.* Held in conjunction with the National Conference on Ending Family and Youth Homelessness in Houston, TX, the Forum highlighted learnings from Foundations for Youth Success (FYS) and provided opportunities for participants to share directly with peers. The Forum also highlighted opportunities and challenges in working with the Administration and Congress. After a panel discussion, participants broke into groups to brainstorm ways that funders could play a role in their community and at the national level.
- *2017 Funders Institute.* The 2017 Funders Institute was held in conjunction with the National Conference on Ending Homelessness in Washington, D.C., and followed a new format. Instead of the usual 1-day Institute, the event continued through the NAEH Conference. Each day featured sessions planned by FTEH with content and discussion aimed at funders. The Institute featured 2 sessions with an advocacy focus: one that engaged national partners including NAEH, CBPP, National Health Care for the Homeless Council, and Heartland Alliance who provided an update to members on current policy priorities, and another session highlighting examples of funder advocacy efforts including the California Community Foundation and United Way of Los Angeles.



Because of
this work

The Administration is aware of and beginning to understand the importance of public-private partnerships. In addition, leaders within key cabinet level positions have met with philanthropy on numerous occasions to start to build relationships and inform priorities and develop strategies. Members are also becoming increasingly involved in advocacy at both the local and national levels.

Racial Inequity in Homelessness

One goal in our 2017-2020 Strategic Plan is to engage philanthropy to address racial inequity in homelessness, recognizing that unequal access to housing is the biggest inequity issue. By naming racial inequity in homelessness as a priority, Funders Together is committed to helping our members start a learning journey to understand the history and current structural issues that lead to racial inequities within homelessness. To meet this goal, Funders Together has started providing resources and space for discussion that will help us learn about racial inequity and work together to change our field. We've done this through:

Online Resources

We started this work in 2016 with an op-ed in the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness's blog about why philanthropy needs to focus on racial inequity in ending homelessness. On our website, we launched a Racial Equity Toolkit, designed to gather resources ranging from definitions of structural racism and racial equity to research specifically on the presence and effect of racial inequity in homelessness.

In-Person Convenings

In 2017, we dedicated our annual Funders Institute to talking about racial inequity in homelessness. Glenn Harris, President of Race Forward, served as our keynote speaker and provided level-setting on racial. Participants also heard from Marc Dones and Jeff Olive from the Center for Social Innovation's SPARC (Supporting Partnerships for Anti-Racist Communities) initiative about their research on the presence and effects of racial inequity in homelessness. Throughout the day, participants discussed with other funders about how to truly adopt a racial equity lens to their work and act.

Working in Partnership

We know that reducing racial inequity and ending systemic racism is not something we can do alone. That's why Funders Together has been working in partnership with other agencies and organizations to convene national partners regularly for shared learning opportunities around racial inequity. These national partners are committed to these continued learning opportunities.

Presence in the Field

Partners in the field regularly call on Funders Together to attend, participate in, and present on racial equity at their convenings and conferences. These partners have ranged from local direct service organizations, such as Friendship Place in Washington, DC, to regional philanthropic working groups on racial equity, to national organizations, such as the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans and Community Solutions.

Diving Deeper in Racial Equity

We recognized the importance of having a leadership group who was further along in their foundation's racial equity work to engage others as they explore the connection between racial inequities and homelessness. FTEH formed a Racial Equity Working Group with the intent that they will advise the Funders Together Board on policies and programming to advance racial equity as well as Funders Together staff on developing a learning agenda to become a more equitable organization.



Because of this work

Members are taking steps towards changing their grantmaking to with a racial equity lens. The capacity of the overall work to prevent and end homelessness is being built to move from conversation to action in addressing racial inequity. In addition, we've seen racial equity becoming a larger conversation at national homelessness convenings.

Raising the Profile of Philanthropy

The importance of understanding philanthropy's role in ending homelessness cannot be overstated. It is imperative that our partners and government officials recognize philanthropy's impact on the movement and how critical it is to bring funders to the table. It is the role of Funders Together to act as philanthropy's collective voice and to lift up the work and efforts of our members.

In-Person Convenings and Meetings

One way we work to ensure this is by representing philanthropy at various partner events and meetings. We act as a catalyst to propel the mission of funders working in this space and to facilitate positive and long-lasting relationships that will advance the movement to prevent and end homelessness across the country. FTEH co-hosted and/or participated in 16 panels, sessions, or speaking engagements at partner and member in-person events, which allowed our members to form dynamic relationships with peers and partners from across the country, as well as learn about innovative initiatives and solutions. A few of the highlights include:

- *2017 National Conference on Ending Family and Youth Homelessness.* Amanda Andere participated in the Lunch Plenary session as well as moderated two panels: How Funders Can Make A Difference on Family and Youth Homelessness In Their Communities Workshop Session; and A Vision for The New Administration Workshop Session
- *2017 National Conference on Ending Homelessness.* Amanda Andere spoke at the Lunch Plenary session by addressing attendees and introducing Representative Maxine Waters.
- *2017 Council on Foundations Annual Conference.* Funders Together planned two sessions at the Council on Foundations conference around employment and health that included Amanda Andere and other Funders Together members.
- *2017 Funding Forward Conference host by Funders for LGBT Issues.* Amanda Andere, along with Funders Together members, participated on a plenary panel around local and national strategies to build the movement to end youth homelessness.
- *USICH Thought Leadership Convening on Ending Family Homelessness.* Amanda Andere and other Funders Together members participated in a thought leadership convening around family homelessness.
- *2017 True Colors Forty to None Conference.* Amanda Andere co-led a workshop discussion around racial equity in homelessness.
- *Heartland Alliance Connections Project Convening.* Amanda Andere and Jennifer Olney, Director of Networks and Programs, facilitated conversations around employment and homelessness. This event was also the kick off for the FTEH employment community of practice, Foundations for Employment and Housing.

Lifting Up Philanthropy's Messages

Funders Together acts as the mouthpiece for our members. We listen to our members, engage with them on their work, understand what is important to their efforts and the movement as a whole. Making sure the larger philanthropic field and homelessness sector knows the roles of our members and how it aligns with

their work is a critical part of our work. In order to elevate philanthropy's role in ending homelessness, Funders Together represented the voice of philanthropy in various media publications including:

Inside Philanthropy: [An End to Homelessness? Behind the Rising Optimism Among Funders Governing: The Only Federal Agency Dedicated to Homelessness Could Be Shut Down](#)

Expanding the Opportunities to Connect Funders and Partners

In 2017, Funders Together looked for additional opportunities to connect funders and partners in learning opportunities together. After hosting the Funders Institute the day before the National Alliance to End Homelessness's annual event each July, we worked with the Alliance to expand the Institute throughout the entirety of the full conference, allowing more funders-specific content and the ability to learn in a shared space with partners.

In addition, we focused efforts on partnering with other philanthropy serving organizations (PSOs) on programming and to develop relationships with funders in various sectors, who may not have a specific homelessness priority in their grantmaking, but fund intersecting issues. Some of this PSOs include Grantmakers in Health, Workforce Matters, Grantmakers for Income Security Taskforce, Funders for LGBTQ Issues, Council on Foundations, and others.



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this work

Funders Together to End Homelessness has strengthened connections and collaborated with national partners in order to share the work of our members at the national level and help our members stay up-to-date with the larger field of homelessness. Impact we've seen includes members and partners who are connected through the FTEH network continue to work together outside of FTEH programming.



Knowledge is Power

Funders Together is committed to providing the best resources and programming to funders to support their work to prevent and end homelessness. In addition to the in-person convenings we host, Funders Together also provides a variety of resources that meet the ever-changing needs of our members, as they work to determine best practices and solutions, as well as how to collaborate with peers and national partners across the country.

Featured Member Profiles

Members of Funders Together vary in their approach on how they support the movement to end homelessness and exploring those varied approaches in a candid and protected network is a benefit of membership. We share and highlight the innovative work our members are doing and how they are tackling homelessness in their communities through our Featured Member Profiles so that others can learn about how their peers are working in this space. The members that were highlighted in 2017 include:

- Meyer Memorial Trust
- McGregor Fund
- Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc.
- Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland

Member e-Newsletters

We understand the importance of providing regular communications to our members to keep them abreast of latest news from the field as well as updates on member learning and networking opportunities. In previous years, Funders Together issued a member newsletter once a month. After receiving feedback and recognizing that news and events happen more than once a month, we transitioned to doing bi-monthly newsletter, separated into two categories:

1. **Member News:** This e-news shares the latest FTEH blog posts, news about members' work, resources members may find useful, and highlights our newest members to the network.
2. **Learning and Networking Opportunities:** This communication features upcoming in-person and online events from both FTEH and partners that may interest members as well as a list of where FTEH staff will be in the upcoming weeks.

Webinars and Webinar Recordings

In 2017, Funders Together hosted 11 webinars with nearly 160 combined attendees. Webinars are an opportunity for Funders Together to highlight timely and important issues and best practices for members, and to provide action items for implementing changes in their work both internally and externally. In 2017, webinars included topics like advocacy and policy, connecting health and housing, youth homelessness, family homelessness, taking solutions to scale, and employment.

As an extended benefit, members can view the recordings of any of the previous webinars through our Webinar Recording page. Some of the most popular webinars include:

- What We Need to Do Differently to Create Large Scale Change in Homelessness
- Innovative Solutions to Connect Health and Housing
- What Funders Need to Know – The Federal Budget
- Advocacy for Funders 101
- Advocacy Update: What We Know and Where We are Going

Advocacy Resources

Some funders may struggle to figure out the appropriate ways to advocate for the policies and work that will truly make a difference on the national, state, and local levels. To help support our members in finding their voice in advocacy and understanding what they can and cannot participate in, we provide Advocacy Resources that can help provide a comprehensive place to learn about most recent policy updates, ways to engage in advocacy and policy, how to support grantees in this work, and how we are working with our national partners to advocate on philanthropy's behalf.

Blogs

To keep our members informed about the trends, best practices, and latest news in homelessness, we provide content through the Funders Together Blog. In 2017, we produced 16 posts the featured topics ranging from employment and housing to advocacy and the Federal budget. From posing probing questions about race equity to informing member of the findings from Voices of Youth Count, we continue to create content that will engage our members in thoughtful conversation. A few of our most read blog post have been:

- Advancing the Community Through Advocacy: Los Angeles & Proposition HHH
- Collaborative Funding to End Homelessness: Lessons from Home For Good
- An Equity-Based Approach to Fighting Homelessness



Members have reported increased learning from virtual learning and use of Funders Together online resources has resulted in changes in grantmaking and priorities or involvement in the community.



2017 Funders Together Members

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Arizona

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Connecticut

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District of Columbia

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Florida

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Georgia

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Hawaii

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Illinois

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Massachusetts

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Tennessee

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Texas

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Washington

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United Way of Pierce County

Wisconsin

Youth Hope Foundation

Canada

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2017 Financial Summary

Statement of Financial Position

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	281,491	335,780
Pledges receivable, net	586,441	800
Prepaid expenses and other assets	-	9,440
	<u>867,932</u>	<u>346,020</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities:		
Accrued expenses	8,619	4,244
Deferred Revenue	34,850	
Total liabilities	<u>43,469</u>	<u>4,244</u>
Net assets:		
Unrestricted	238,522	328,476
Temporarily restricted	<u>585,941</u>	<u>13,300</u>
Total net assets	<u>824,463</u>	<u>341,776</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>867,932</u>	<u>346,020</u>

Statement of Activities

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
Revenue and Support:			
Grants and contributions	331,875	633,441	965,316
Membership dues	100,100		100,100
Rental income	7,950		7,950
Technical Assistance	24		24
Net assets released from restriction	60,800	(60,800)	-
Total revenue	<u>500,749</u>	<u>572,641</u>	<u>1,073,390</u>
Operating expenses:			
Program services	492,464		492,464
Fundraising	51,863		51,863
Management and general	46,376		46,376
Total operating expenses	<u>590,703</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>590,703</u>
Change in net assets	<u>(89,954)</u>	<u>572,641</u>	<u>482,687</u>
Net Assets at beginning of year	<u>328,476</u>	<u>13,300</u>	<u>341,776</u>
Net Assets at end of year	<u>238,522</u>	<u>585,941</u>	<u>824,463</u>