In February, we released our 2018 Impact Report that reviews our collective accomplishments as a network working to end homelessness and sets the groundwork for our efforts in 2019. In this month's Member News, we are sharing a few highlights of how Funders Together amplified the profile of philanthropy with partners and peers to ensure the funder voice is heard and understood.

- **We lifted philanthropy’s voice and priorities at partner events and meetings.** Funders Together represented philanthropy at more than 25 partner panels, sessions, and speaking engagements in 2018, a 56% increase in field presence from 2017.

- **We provided members with a collective voice around timely and important issues.** Funders Together crafted public statements and responses such as our response to Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos’s $2 billion homelessness funding announcement, and shared knowledge with the field through partner blogs and resources like the Giving Compass blog and the C4 Innovations “Changing the Conversation” podcast.

- **We worked with partners from intersecting issues.** Funders Together partnered with other philanthropy-serving organizations (PSOs) to provide programming opportunities to our members and funders who work in other systems that intersect with homelessness. We collaborated with organizations like Funders Committee for Civic Participation, Grantmakers in Health, Children, Youth, & Families Funder Roundtable, Workforce Matters, and Grantmakers in Education.

For a full look, visit the Raising the Profile of Philanthropy section of our 2018 Impact Report.
Amplifying the Voice of Philanthropy to Oppose HUD’s Mixed Status Proposed Rule

Authentic Inclusion and Advocacy: Reflections from the Point Source Youth Symposium
By Lauren Samblanet, Funders Together Membership and Program Coordinator

We are always looking to highlight the impact of our members. If you would like to feature your work in an upcoming blog, let us know!

Amanda Andere and Nan Roman: The cure for homelessness is a home
The DC Line

Funders Together Resources
Access to the following Funders Together webinar recordings is only available to Full Members of Funders Together. If you are interested in joining to view these recordings as well as gain access to other Full Member benefits, contact Stephanie Chan, stephanie@funderstogether.org or visit our Join Us page.

2019 Funders Institute Social Media Recap
Funders Together hosted our annual Funders Institute in conjunction with the National Conference on Ending Homelessness last week in Washington, D.C. If you weren't able to join us, read up on what was covered through our Twitter feed! And be on the lookout for recaps of the event from attendees, coming to our blog soon!

Funders Together Gender Pronouns Explained One-Pager
As part of our efforts to provide more inclusive meeting spaces, Funders Together has begun to ask for gender pronouns when people register for our in-person convenings. In order to provide context and more information on gender identity, we’ve created this one-pager on pronouns, gender identity, and Funders Together’s commitment to LGBTQ inclusion and equity. We invite you to draw from and use the language in this document to create a similar sheet to disperse at your events, so your attendees understand why you are also asking for gender pronouns.

Webinar Recording: Investing in Change - Supporting Advocacy and Policy Efforts
In this webinar, Funders Together partnered with Alliance for Justice to answer burning questions from our members such as: How can philanthropy make the case for funding advocacy to end homelessness? Can my foundation fund grantees that lobby? What’s philanthropy’s
role in educating new members of Congress on housing and homelessness issues? Can philanthropy support local ballot initiative work? We also heard from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation on how they are focusing on advocacy and policy work, including lifting up voices of lived experience.

Member Resources

- California Wellness Foundation: Everyone Counts: Why the 2020 Census Matters
- Rasmuson Foundation: Governor’s vetoes don’t reflect Alaska’s values

Partner Resources

- National Alliance to End Homelessness: Top Takeaways from the 2019 National Conference on Ending Homelessness
- National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy: Confronting Anti-Blackness in Immigrant Justice Philanthropy
- National Low Income Housing Coalition: Housing Committee Approves Bipartisan Disaster Recovery Act that Will Ensure Equitable Housing Recovery
- United States Interagency Council on Homelessness: Strengthening Partnerships Between Law Enforcement and Homelessness Services Systems

The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation Announces Shaheen Kassim-Lakha as Director of Strategic Partnerships
Yahoo! News

America’s Legacy of White Supremacy
Forbes

SD Grantmakers connect and activates funders to learn, lead, and invest in community
KUSI News

Have news about your foundation’s or United Way’s work that we missed? Let us know and we would love to feature it next month!
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**Membership Renewal**
- Blue Shield of California Foundation
- Funders Together San Diego
- Raikes Foundation
- United Way of Broward County
- Valley of the Sun United Way

We look forward to the opportunity to continue working with you and supporting your efforts to prevent and end homelessness.

Interested in becoming a full Funders Together member? Contact Stephanie Chan for more information.
Interested in supporting Funders Together by becoming a Funding Partner? Contact Lauren Bennett for more information.

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