



## Featured Programming

**Webinar: [Philanthropy & the 2020 Census: What a Fair and Accurate Count Means for Ending Homelessness](#)  
**TOMORROW!** Thursday, December 12, 12:00pm ET / 9:00am PT**

Census 2020 operations are underway as the country prepares for Census Day on April 1, 2020. All a driver of important funding and policy decisions, the Census also impacts the work to prevent and end homelessness across the country. So, what does this mean for philanthropy, and how can funders work within states and communities to ensure a fair and accurate count of people experiencing homelessness or housing instability and other hard-to-count populations?

**Join us for this webinar on December 12** as we explore where current Census operations are, why philanthropy investing in housing and homelessness programs should care about the count, what some of the concerns and barriers are to counting people experiencing homelessness, and how funders can be an integral part in fair and accurate Census efforts in their community. We will also hear from the Polk Bros Foundation in Chicago on its role in the Illinois Count Me In 2020 campaign, how it supports efforts outside of funding, and the importance of bringing in funders from other sectors through mindful collaboration and coordination.

**Speakers include:**

- Deborah Bennett, Polk Bros Foundation
- Jocelyn Bissonnette, Funders Committee for Civic Participation
- Terri Ann Lowenthal, Funders Committee for Civic Participation
- Meghan Maury, National LGBTQ Task Force

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## Funders Together Events

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# 2020 Funders Forum

February 19, 2020 | Oakland, CA

Philanthropy's Evolving Role in Catalyzing Efforts  
to End Homelessness

*in conjunction with the Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults national conference*

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### Joint Registration Closes January 6

Spots are still available for our [2020 Funders Forum and the Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults conference](#). It is not too late to register! But joint registration will close soon. [Registration](#) for the Funders Forum and Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults conference **closes Monday, January 6**. After this date, the spots we've reserved for funders will be released back to people on the waitlist for the Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults conference.

**[Register TODAY](#)** so you don't miss your chance to attend both the Funders Forum and the Solutions for Individual Homeless Adults conference!

You can join peers on February 19 in Oakland to talk about how philanthropy's role in preventing and ending homelessness is evolving and how we can work better together to build public and political will and safeguard policies that we know work to end homelessness and treat people with dignity. We will grapple with questions like:

- How can philanthropy continue to lift up research and evidence-based practices to build public and political will to end homelessness?
- How can philanthropy, including traditional foundations, LLCs, 501c4s, corporate giving programs, and individual philanthropists, leverage each others' strengths?
- How do we ensure that racial equity and people with lived expertise are centered in all the advocacy work we do to end homelessness?

Learn more and explore the [working agenda](#) on our [2020 Funders Forum page](#).

If you are unable to attend the full NAEH conference but would like to attend the Funders Forum, you still have the option of registering for the [Wednesday-only Funders Forum event](#). Space is limited so be sure to register today. The sooner the better!

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## Funders Together Webinars

### 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 like: How can philanthropy make the case for funding advocacy to end homelessness? Uncertain whether you can 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 the Foundation is focusing on advocacy and policy work, including lifting up voices of lived experience.

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### Webinar Recording: [Advocacy 101 For Funders](#)

In this webinar, we focused on putting advocacy and policy knowledge to action. The Alliance for Justice led us on a continued learning journey around various ways foundations and United Ways can partake in advocacy to effect change. We defined lobbying and the limitations in place for different types of funders, shared examples of unique and effective ways Funders Together members engage in advocacy, and examined ways your grantees can become involved.

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### Webinar Recording: [Home, Together](#)

The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness released Home, Together: The Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness in July 2018. This webinar focused on the federal goals and strategies to end homelessness across the country, areas of increased focus in the new plan, and what funders should be aware of. We heard from Lindsay Knotts, Policy Director at USICH, and Beverley Ebersold, Director of National Initiatives, about the plan and segue into a conversation about the implications for local communities and what funders can do to be good partners in the work to end homelessness.

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## Where We Will Be

In addition to our Funders Together programming, check out these [partner events that Funders Together will be at](#), representing and highlighting philanthropy's work in the efforts to prevent and end homelessness. If you are attending any of these events or would like to attend and meet up, please contact [Amanda Andere](#) or you can find more information directly on the [Where We Will Be page](#).

Click on the map below to see what events we will be at in the coming months!



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