

Helping grantmakers improve the health of all people



Dear Colleague:

Major social and economic changes are underway that have important implications for health funders.

One is economic. After more than four decades as the nation's economic majority, the American middle class has reached what could be a tipping point. Steadily hollowed out over time, it is now falling. Americans without a college degree—including adults who have not finished high school—have especially lost ground.

The other change is immigration, which in 50 years has reshaped the racial and ethnic composition of the United States. Looking ahead, immigration is projected to account for 88 percent of the country's future population increase. By 2065, it is expected that no single racial or ethnic group will constitute a U.S. majority.

Together, these trends mean that America will continue to evolve, requiring health funders to stay attentive, creative, and nimble. From an economic perspective, there will be newly vulnerable families in the communities funders serve. Meanwhile, racial and ethnic shifts will create both challenges and new possibilities for growth. These changes will all have implications for health care access and quality, the makeup of the health care workforce, and people's physical and mental health across the lifespan. They will make it more important than ever for funders' staffs and trustees to reflect the communities they serve.

Complex challenges for health philanthropy lie ahead. GIH's programming will help grantmakers understand and tackle them effectively. Together, we can learn, connect, and grow. I invite you to read about our most recent accomplishments, made possible thanks to the generous support of our Funding Partners.

Sincerely,

Faith Mitchell, Ph.D. President and CEO

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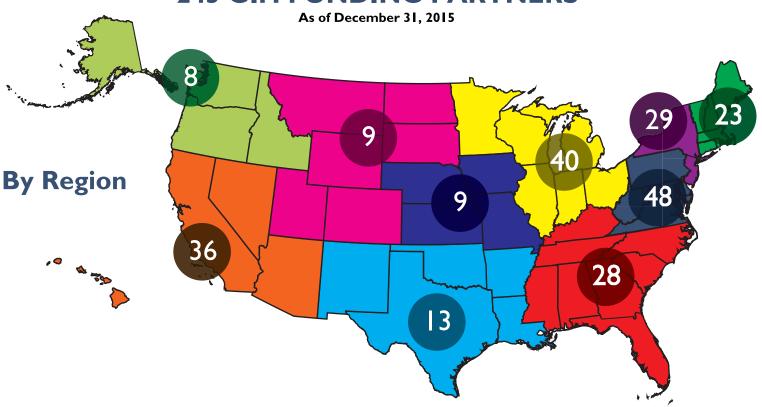
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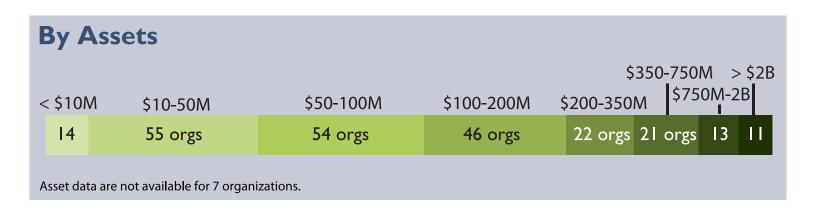
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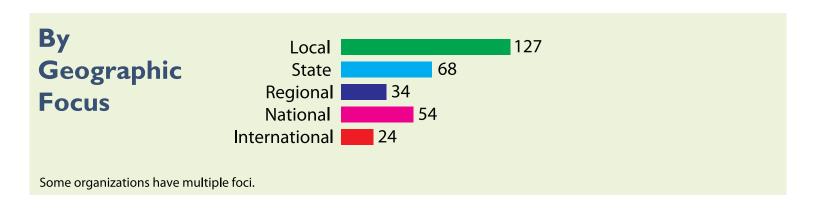
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ACTIVITIES AND PUBLICATIONS

In 2015 Grantmakers In Health (GIH) offered a diverse range of meetings, publications, and webinars, all aimed to advance the field of health philanthropy. Visit www.gih.org for more details about items included in this publication.

MEETINGS

GIH brings together foundation staff and trustees at national conferences and smaller, more focused meetings. These gatherings serve important educational objectives and give grantmakers the opportunity to connect with colleagues.

- The LGBT Health Funding Summit, New York, New York, January 27-28 (cosponsored with Funders Concerned About AIDS and Funders for LGBTQ Issues)
- Pathways to Health
 Annual Conference on Health Philanthropy
 March 4-6 | Austin, Texas

The GIH annual conference is the largest gathering of health funders in the country, providing opportunities for learning, collaboration, and networking.

- Third Annual Public-Private Collaborations in Rural Health Meeting, Washington, DC, March 11-12 (cosponsored with White House Rural Council and the National Rural Health Association)
- National Green Schoolyards Summit, Chicago, Illinois, May 12-13 (cosponsored with W.K. Kellogg Foundation)
- Building a Legacy of Healthy Children, Jackson, Mississippi, June 9-10 (cosponsored with Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families; W.K. Kellogg Foundation; Mississippi Association of Grantmakers; and Southeast Council on Foundations)
- Tackling Difficult-to-Crack Healthy Eating Policies, Sacramento, California, September 29-30
- Building Public-Private Partnerships to Enhance Disaster Resilience: A Listening Session, Washington, DC, October 5 (cohosted with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response)
- Advancing Children's Health Care in Texas, Houston, Texas, October 29, 2015
- 2015 Fall Forum, Washington, DC, November 19-20
 - Crafting Media Strategies that Accelerate Policy Change, Washington, DC, November 19

- Behavioral Health Equity: Advancing Systems Change, Washington, DC, November 20
- LGBT Health Funding Summit, San Francisco, California November 19-20 (cosponsored with Funders Concerned About AIDS, Funders for LGBTQ Issues, and Northern California Grantmakers)
- How Can Metrics Inform and Advance Healthy Communities?
 Washington, DC, December 4

PUBLICATIONS

GIH publications keep health grantmakers up to date on current issues and the state of the field, and include both quick reads and in-depth reports.

ARTICLES

- "Healing All Sons and Brothers: Addressing Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Boys and Men of Color" by Kristina Gray-Akpa, GIH, January 19
- "Building Our Way to Better Health" by Madelyn R. Adams, Director, Community Benefit, Kaiser Permanente of Georgia, January 19
- "Reforming School Discipline Policies to Improve Children's Success" by Kavitha Mediratta, Head of Racial Equity Programmes, The Atlantic Philanthropies, February 16
- Annual Conference Guest Essays March 2015
 - "Pathways to Health: Lessons from the Frontiers of Health Philanthropy" by Faith Mitchell, Grantmakers In Health
 - "What's Your Ambition?!" by Jen Algire, The Greater Clark Foundation
 - "Philanthropy 3.0: Accountable for Results" by Antony Chiang, Empire Health Foundation
 - "Trailblazing Toward Healthier Air" by Philip Johnson, The Heinz Endowments
- "Expanding Impact Through Evaluation" by Eugene Lewit, Consulting Professor, Department of Health Research and Policy, Stanford University, and Paul Jellinek, Principal, Isaaks/Jellinek, March 16

- "Behavioral Health for All" by Joni Schwager, Executive Director, Staunton Farm Foundation, March 16
- "¡Que Viva! Latinos and Health Care in the South" by Ann McMillan, GIH, April 21
- "The Cuban Prescription: Human-Centered Care" by Faith Mitchell, GIH, April 21
- "Kids and Drinking Water: A Glass Half Full or Half Empty?" by Ellen Braff-Guajardo, Program Officer, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, and Kenneth Hecht, Director of Policy, Nutrition Policy Institute, University of California, May 19
- "Health Equity and Social Justice: A Health Improvement Tool" by Georges C. Benjamin, Executive Director, American Public Health Association, May 19
- "Systems, Foundations, and Behavioral Health: Views from Alaska" by Melissa Kemberling, Mat-Su Health Foundation, June 15
- "How Much Do Healthy Communities Cost?" by Nancy O. Andrews, President and CEO, Low Income Investment Fund, July 21
- "Philanthropy and Community Development: Partners In Health" by Meryl Dann, GIH, July 21
- "Advancing Health Equity in Turbulent Times" by Yanique Redwood, President and CEO, Consumer Health Foundation, August 18
- "Fulfilling the Promise of Equality: Ensuring that 'Health for All' Extends to Everyone" by Marielena Hincapie, Executive Director, National Immigration Law Center, August 18
- "Bagels, Pasta, and Pajamas: Importing Ideas to Build a Culture of Health" by Karabi Acharya, Director, Global Learning, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and Brian Quinn, Assistant Vice President, Research-Evaluation-Learning, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, August 18
- "Help All Children Grow Up at a Healthy Weight" by John Lumpkin, Senior Vice President, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, September 15
- "Sparking a Patient Activation Movement" by Karen Wolk-Feinstein, Jewish Healthcare Foundation, September 15
- "Transforming Philanthropy through Relationships" by
 M. Gabriela Alcalde, Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky;
 Len Bartel, Maine Health Access Foundation; Colleen
 Church, Caring for Colorado Foundation; Kelly Firesheets,
 Interact for Health; and Jessica Hembree, Health Care
 Foundation of Greater Kansas City, September 15
- "Recipe for In-Clinic Nutrition Education" by Brenda Sears, The Colorado Health Foundation, October 20

- "Supportive Housing: Strengthening Communities Improving Health," by Kristina Gray-Akpa, GIH, October 20
- "Exiting Thoughtfully" by Elizabeth Docteur, GIH, October 20
- "Healthy Eating and Active Living: Checking in on Philanthropy's Investments" by Colin Pekruhn, GIH, November 17
- "Building on Achievements in Extending Children's Health Coverage" by Elizabeth Docteur, GIH, November 17
- "Youth Mental Health First Aid: Implementation Lessons from Pennsylvania" by Dana Heiman, Brandywine Health Foundation, and Alyson Ferguson, Thomas Scattergood Behavioral Health Foundation, December 15
- "Taking Stock of Lessons Learned from Advocacy to Expand Children's Coverage: A Recipe for Success" by Elizabeth Docteur, GIH, December 15

REPORTS

- Beyond Grantmaking: Health Foundations as Policy Change Agents by Eileen Salinsky, March 3
- Health Reform Five Years Later: Philanthropy Steps Up to the Challenge by Barbara Masters, MastersPolicyConsulting, and Amanda Rounsaville Welsh, May 15
- Annual Report 2014
- Behavioral Health Survey Results and Funder Directory by Alison Perencevich, August 4

WEBINARS

Webinars give health foundation staff the opportunity to come together throughout the year to address timely health topics and funding strategies.

- Environmental Health Science Updates: The Basics, the Latest, and the Impacts, January 28 (cosponsored with Health and Environmental Funders Network and Rachel's Network)
- Enrollment Results and Opportunities for 2015, March 24
- Building a Legacy of Healthy Children in Florida, May 14 (cosponsored with Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families and the Florida Philanthropic Network)
- Integrated Behavioral Health and Primary Care: Challenges, Opportunities, and Next Steps, May 14
- Health Reform Five Years Later: Philanthropy Steps Up, May 19 (cosponsored by Grantmakers Income Security Task Force)

- Bridging Health and Community Development: Investing in People, Place, and Equity, May 21
- Health Care Innovation Awards: Driving Transformation, May 27
- Young Lives in Limbo: Update on the Status of Central American Child Refugees in the United States, June 3 (cosponsored with Council on Foundations; Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees; Grantmakers for Children, Youth and Families; Hispanics in Philanthropy; International Human Rights Funders Group; and Southern California Grantmakers)
- Constructing Healthy Spaces through Multisector Partnerships, June 9
- King v. Burwell: What You Need to Know, June 16
- Medicaid Expansion: Economic Impact and Sustainability, June 23
- King v. Burwell: What You Need to Know (Part 2), June 30
- Vital Signs: Exploring the New IOM Report, July 2
- Mental Health Literacy: Changing the Community Conversation, July 14
- Improving Access to Healthy Food in Rural Communities, July 15
- Tackling the Social Determinants of Health through Place-Based Initiatives, July 23
- Conversation with the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, August 4
- Using Digital Technology to Promote Healthy Food Access, August 6 (cosponsored by Sustainable Agriculture and Food System Funders)
- Provider Perspectives on Improving Health Care, August 13

- Advancing Indigenous Farmworker Health Care, August 26 (cosponsored by Sustainable Agriculture and Food System Funders and the Convergence Partnership)
- Beyond Medicine: Strengthening Community Wellness Approaches, August 26
- Improving Integrated Care with Digital Technology Tools, September 15
- Fostering Partnerships to Improve Native American Health, September 16
- Step It Up! The Surgeon General's Call to Action on Walking and Walkable Communities, September 17
- Making a Difference in Addressing the Graying of HIV and AIDS, September 21 (cosponsored with Grantmakers In Aging, Funders Concerned About AIDS, and Funders for LGBTQ Issues)
- Advancing a Public Health Agenda for Native Communities, September 22 (cosponsored by Native Americans in Philanthropy)
- Building Healthy, Strong, and Vibrant Neighborhoods, October 21
- Partnering to Support Veterans and Military Families, November 4 (cosponsored by Council on Foundations)
- Spreading and Scaling Health Care Innovations that Improve Quality and Lower Costs, December 1
- Addressing the Behavioral Health Needs of Older Adults, December 2 (cosponsored by Grantmakers in Aging)
- Lessons Learned in Supporting Health Care Quality, December 15
- Children's Access and Coverage, December 16



We dedicate this annual report to the memory of Leila May Polintan, without whom none of this work would have been possible. Leila was GIH's Communications Director from 2007 to 2016. She passed away on April 2, 2016 after a courageous 3 1/2 year battle with breast cancer. Leila was known for her good spirits and sense of fun, her ready smile, her infectious laughter, and her great enthusiasm for GIH and the work we do. We truly miss her.

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GIH's charge is straightforward yet challenging: serve the field of health philanthropy to improve the health of all people. GIH carries out this mission with the ongoing support of our Funding Partners. Our success as a resource to grantmakers depends on their involvement; together, we can create a home for health philanthropy that constantly evolves to meet the changing needs of the field.

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