



Public Policy Opportunities for Foundations

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Why foundations should engage in public policy...

- Opportunities to leverage funding -- impact more people
- Often seen as experts – a lot to offer to the discussion
- Respected and credible organizations - people listen
- Available resources to support initiatives

Indirect public policy efforts...

- Participation on advisory committees and workgroups
- Facilitating stakeholder discussions on controversial issues
- Supporting advocacy organizations' efforts
- Grantmaking specific to policy initiatives

Direct public policy efforts...

- Relationship building
- Legislative technical assistance/education
- Legislative luncheon
- State agency collaboration and technical assistance
- Conference presentations
- Development of informational documents on key policy issues
- Policy analysis and recommendations



Hogg Foundation Policy Grantmaking

- Mental Health Policy Fellows Project
- Hogg Mental Health Policy Academy
- Policy Project Grants
- State of Mental Health in Texas Report

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