



We invite you to join Philanthropy Northwest.

Our dynamic network of doers and changemakers continues to thrive and tackle some of the biggest challenges facing our region. We recognize that philanthropy plays an increasingly important role, alongside government, nonprofits and the corporate sector in helping promote more vibrant and equitable communities. As we are called upon to leverage our voice, influence and know-how, we are also striving to be more responsive, accountable and transparent in our partnerships and relationships. As a philanthropy-serving organization, we understand the evolving nature of philanthropy in our civil society, and the balancing acts that we must play. For those reasons, we hope you see us as that partner that prepares you and our network to be ready for these challenges.

Philanthropy is a shared journey, and we are proud to be one of the largest and most innovative philanthropic networks in the country – because of our members. You know the saying – two heads are better than one. We truly believe that we are better together. We are passionate about coming together to learn, spur action, and to support one another in our personal, professional and organizational growth. At the end of the day, our ultimate goal is to support each and every one of us working in philanthropy throughout the Northwest to do our best in strengthening and creating more equitable communities.

With that in mind, here are just a few of the ways we demonstrated our commitment to promoting more equitable and effective philanthropy in 2019:

- Curated and facilitated more than 60 programs, visited each of our member states at least twice, and engaged with over 1,000 people across our region.
- Launched the Washington Census Equity Fund, an unprecedented philanthropic collaboration with more than 30 partners and \$1.5 million in investments.
- Hosted our annual conference, in partnership with CHANGE Philanthropy, bringing together over 350 people from across the country.
- Held provocative, public discussions centered around diversity, equity and inclusion through our Racial Equity Speaker Series, with over 700 people in attendance!
- Expanded our Momentum Fellowship program – a pipeline for diverse professionals in philanthropy – to include current foundation employees; Cohort 3 is the largest yet.
- Committed to increasing philanthropy’s awareness of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls (MMIWG), by establishing our new MMIWG policy platform.
- Completed the first of three years of our Catalyst Campaign – Bold Action for a New Era – with over \$1 million raised.



I am humbled and proud to be a part of this strong and dynamic network. We can't do this without you! And we hope you agree that strong, agile and dynamic philanthropy-serving organizations like Philanthropy Northwest are essential to ensuring that our sector makes a lasting, positive impact.

I hope you join our network today!

Joining Philanthropy Northwest is easy. Simply download and complete the [2020 membership application form](#). Then email it back to Danielle Crystal, our senior manager of membership, at dcystal@philanthropyNW.org.

Our network – and what we can accomplish together – is more powerful because of every member organization involved. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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