

About the Women's Funding Network

Established in 1985, the Women's Funding Network is:

- A global movement of 135 women's foundations on six continents, all with a shared commitment to creating lasting social change by unleashing the power and potential of women and girls.

Our members are grant-making organizations that spearhead change through strategic investments in women's leadership and organizations. By joining Women's Funding Network, women's funds access a forum to share knowledge and ideas; tools, consultancy and training to accelerate success; and strategies to move a shared vision forward and build momentum.

- Together, they have over \$400 million in assets and invest over \$50 million per year.
- Women's funds are a growing power in global philanthropy and are investing in some of today's most pressing social issues.
- Women's funds have over 30 years of experience tackling poverty, improving access to healthcare and education and combating the problems of violence and human trafficking.

Women's funds are united by a number of critical shared values:

- *A focus on the solutions of women who are poor or pushed to the margins.* Over 80% of women's fund investments go to women living in poverty or those most affected by issues such as homelessness, violence and human rights abuses.
- *An intention to achieve lasting, systemic change.* From protecting women's land rights in Tanzania to achieving lasting gains for low-income US women workers, women's funds prioritize solutions that shape women's status and opportunities in society on a lasting basis.
- *Shared commitment to diversity.* Our approach to philanthropy is democratic and involves women at every level. We believe everyone can be a philanthropist.

As a global catalyst for women's philanthropy, the Women's Funding Network brings together women's money, ideas and solutions to advance the lives of women and girls. Through *Women Moving Millions*, our campaign in partnership with philanthropists Swanee and Helen LaKelly Hunt, we are making history by raising the bar on women's philanthropy.

- We have already raised nearly \$110 million on the way to our goal of \$150 million, which will tip the assets of women's funds over the \$1 billion mark.

Galvanized by strategic partnerships and the commitment of tens of thousands of donors and change-makers across the globe, the Women's Funding Network is transforming the lives of women worldwide. At the movement's heart is the belief that an investment in a woman is an investment in her family and ultimately her community and her nation – women's funds catalyze this powerful chain reaction to forge the building blocks for a more just and sustainable world.