CDP Webinar Responses and Resources
COVID-19: Managing a Global Response

It is difficult to get to all questions posed during the webinar, but it is important to us that we provide responses and share resources. Similar questions are grouped together, however questions answered by the panelists are not included here but can be accessed in the recording of the webinar.

Presentation slides and recordings are available on our website, generally within 48 hours of the webinar.

Q.1) Natalie indicated in the webinar that she would share helpful resources for foundations interested in making international grants.

Answer:

- **International Center for Not-For-Profit Law (ICNL) Civic Freedom Monitor** – The ICNL Civic Freedom Monitor provides up-to-date information on legal issues affecting civil society and civic freedoms, including freedoms of association, expression and peaceful assembly. They currently maintain reports on 54 countries and eight multilateral organizations.

- **Council on Foundations Country Notes** – The Council on Foundations maintains a regularly updated library of resources for making grants in specific countries. Country Notes provide key information on domestic nonprofit laws and regulations, research and reports, and local contacts to strengthen cross-border philanthropy. In partnership with the ICNL, they provide nonprofit law information for 35 countries.

- **Community Foundation Atlas** – The world’s most comprehensive data source for the community foundation movement, the Atlas includes at least 1,800 place-based foundations that are empowering people to address local challenges and opportunities. By strengthening civil society, community foundations are helping to fill voids in global leadership and build a better world, place by place by place.

- **NGOsouce Guide to Equivalency Determination** – A project of TechSoup and the Council on Foundations, this free e-book provides a helpful overview of NGOsource’s equivalency determination process.

- **Learn Foundation Law Guide to Expenditure Responsibility** – The legal staff at the Packard Foundation, Gates Foundation, Hewlett Foundation and Moore Foundation developed this free training resource, which covers the basic legal rules around expenditure responsibility. The course takes less than 30 minutes to complete and is guided by program officer “Maya.” Participants can return to the training at any time and click on the individual modules to refer back to specific topics.

- **Council on Foundations Guide for Funders Making Grants Outside the United States** (free for members) – This revised publication helps grantmakers of all types expand their impact beyond U.S. borders. It explains various legal and technical requirements necessary to comply with the U.S. law and regulations concerning grants to non-U.S. organizations.

- **Worldwide Initiatives for Grantmaker Support (WINGS)** – With members in 45 countries, WINGS is a global network of 130 philanthropy associations, networks, academic institutions, support organizations and funders whose purpose is to strengthen, promote and provide leadership on the development of philanthropy and social investment.

- **Global Fund for Community Foundations (GFCF)** – A global, virtual organization with a small team headquartered in Johannesburg, GFCF has been working with the global community philanthropy field since 2006. GFCF builds networks with like-minded organizations that see the
power of people-led development. Their mission is to support a global movement of vibrant, resilient, and locally owned and directed community philanthropy organizations, mobilizing and channeling resources and influence for progressive social change.

- **The State of Global Giving by U.S. Foundations, 2011-2015** – The latest report in a decades-long collaboration between Foundation Center and The Council on Foundations, the State of Global Giving by U.S. Foundations helps funders and civil society organizations better navigate the giving landscape as they work to effect change around the world. The analysis reveals that global giving by U.S. foundations increased by 29 percent from 2011 to 2015, reaching an all-time high of $9.3 billion in 2015. In addition to a detailed analysis of trends by issue area, geographic region, population group and donor strategy, this analysis also relates these trends to key events and developments, including the adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals, the spread of Ebola in West Africa, and the increasing legal restrictions faced by civil society in countries around the world.

- **Candid COVID-19 page** – Created to provide information to address the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, Candid’s pop-up web page includes a funding opportunities section, a funding summary and news items. Nonprofits seeking support because of the crisis, funders who wish to learn what their peers are doing, the media, and all who wish to know more about philanthropy's response to the pandemic are encouraged to take advantage of this resource.

In addition, we’d like to share the Center for Disaster Philanthropy/Candid [State of Disaster Philanthropy report](#) and [map](#). You can also access a [COVID-specific grant map](#).

And, SmartResponse shared their [great list](#) of local nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) responding on the front-lines of COVID-19 around the world.

**Q.2) On several webinars, we have seen comments in the follow-up survey that indicated an expectation that sources of funding and information for NGOs would have been part of the topic of the webinar.**

**Answer:** Our webinars are always aimed at educating the philanthropic/donor community. Though NGOs are welcome to listen and participate, our goal is to provide information and support for donors and grantmakers, not grantseekers. We do encourage NGOs looking for more grant information to review the State of Disaster Philanthropy map (see Q.1) to see what foundations are granting to their cause or in their region. We also urge NGOs to seek information from nonprofit focused resources.

- **Center for Nonprofit Excellence** – There are centers for nonprofit excellence in many communities. This one is in Louisville and we like their resource lists, but you can search for your own region on Google.

- **National Council of Nonprofits** – The National Council of Nonprofits (Council of Nonprofits) is a trusted resource and proven advocate for America’s charitable nonprofits. Connecting the policy dots across all levels and branches of governments, the Council of Nonprofits keeps nonprofits informed and empowered to create a positive public policy environment that best supports nonprofits in advancing their missions. Working with and through the nation’s largest network of nonprofits — with 25,000-plus organizational members — they identify emerging trends, share proven practices, and promote solutions that benefit charitable nonprofits and the communities they serve.