



Connecting Grantmakers. Inspiring Excellence.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

We Cultivate Connections.

Philanthropy Southwest brings together philanthropists, foundations and partners, fostering deep relationships to harness the power of a shared passion for social change. With a membership of 1,600 foundation trustees and 700 foundation staff from 230 grantmaking organizations across the southwest, our base is large enough to provide diversity, and small enough to ensure personalized attention.

“As a national foundation, we joined Philanthropy Southwest to help us connect more directly with other foundations that have similar interests. They have a lot of knowledge of the philanthropic sector and strong relationships with foundations.”

~Antoinette Malveaux, Managing Director, Casey Family Programs, Seattle, WA

We Inspire Excellence.

Philanthropy Southwest advances philanthropy as a profession, providing leadership to inspire forward thinking, promote ethical practice, and inform effective grantmaking. Our welcoming environment enables colleagues to comfortably exchange differing ideas, and share timely information, experiences and expertise to advance and achieve their charitable missions.

“The thought leaders who present at Philanthropy Southwest conferences wake you up, provide inspiration and help you to understand how to take action on critical issues.”

~Mary Jane Rynd, Executive Vice President & CFO, Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust, Phoenix, AZ

We Actively Advocate.

As the first philanthropy membership association in the United States, we provide strong leadership in affirming the value of philanthropy, promoting integrity, and advocating for a strong third sector. Philanthropy Southwest also provides tailored data – including an annual giving study for the region, and fosters interaction among the philanthropic, government and corporate sectors.

“It is increasingly important to be part of an association that connects us with other states, particularly as philanthropy faces greater scrutiny in Washington, D.C. Southwestern states have an affinity for each other in terms of how our citizens think and what we do. By banding together, we have a much greater chance to influence policy that safeguards philanthropy and a strong third sector.”

~Tim Schultz, President/Executive Director, Boettcher Foundation, Denver, CO

We Serve Members.

Philanthropy Southwest’s membership encompasses diverse geographic locations, size and missions, including private, community, operating and corporate foundations, and corporate giving programs. Our dedicated staff deliver an immediate response to members’ needs, provide expert advice on governance and grantmaking issues, and we serve as a rich resource for learning through our extensive Knowledgebase and myriad professional development and networking opportunities.

“Membership has given me the opportunity to step outside grantmaking in my field and my town, to connect with people across a larger region, from different types of foundations, addressing an array of issues, to broaden my outlook and strengthen my work.”

~Alana Hughes, Chief Operating Officer, Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation, Tulsa, OK

Read additional comments from member foundations and learn more about Philanthropy Southwest at www.philanthropysouthwest.org.