Join Our Philanthropic Family

VISION
We embrace the vision of an equitable region in which all can participate and prosper.

MISSION
The Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers promotes increased, effective and responsible philanthropy to improve the health and vitality of the region and all who live here.

IMPACT
Through convenings, thought leadership, and facilitated networking, WRAG enables effective, strategic, and responsible philanthropy. By strengthening Greater Washington's philanthropic community, we are strengthening communities across the region.
WRAG is the premier philanthropy association of the National Capitol Region.

Since 1992, WRAG has offered Convenings, Connections, Communications, and Capacity Building to over 100 grantmakers funding issues in the DMV.
Convenings

WRAG provides dozens of educational and networking opportunities each year for members to learn about community issues, from experts, and from each other. These opportunities build community among area grantmakers and provide a robust arena for idea exchange, collective problem-solving, and the development of cross-sector solutions.

“WRAG created a safe and challenging environment to listen, learn, ask risky questions and share fears around the complexities of racism. Through these convenings I am bonded with others in the region’s philanthropic community and empowered to speak out against racial inequality in other less welcoming spaces.”

-Nina Weissberg
Weissberg Foundation
Connections

The WRAG network includes some of the region’s most experienced and well-respected grantmakers, issue experts, and community leaders. By connecting with each other personally and professionally, members share expertise, discover new insights, and leverage their funding through partnerships and collaborations. WRAG connects members in a variety of ways including through dozens of in-person and virtual programs and events, via our various listservs and social media outlets, and our online Member Directory.

Working Groups

WRAG organizes working groups to convene on local issues and align giving initiatives. The current working group are:

- Children, Youth, Families, and Education
- Corporate Affinity Group
- Healthy Communities
- Housing
- Racial Equity
Communications

Timely Updates
WRAG’s social media accounts and email updates provide regular briefings on local developments and what you need to know to be effective in your role in DMV philanthropy.

The Weekly WRAG
 WRAG’s weekly newsletter features relevant news, member highlights, sector updates, recent research, and tips for action and advocacy to encourage members to stay connected with the latest development in the community.

#WRAGMember
WRAG regularly calls out member accomplishments and announcements on social media and our newsletter to spread the word about the great work of your organization.
In 2018, WRAG’s Board of Directors voted to elevate the pursuit of racial equity to an ongoing organizational commitment. WRAG believes that the philanthropic sector must leverage all of its resources to dismantle structural racism, examine implicit biases within the sector, and commit to creating a racially equitable and just society. We believe that it is the role of WRAG to encourage and enable members that are also committed to this work. WRAG approaches all our work with a racial equity lens and focuses on inspiring our members to integrate racial equity into their work as well.

Capacity Building

- Hiring? Post your position description on our job board for free.
- Let us connect you to resources, local experts, and partnership opportunities to strengthen your organization.
Does Your Organization....

- Make grants to multiple grantees in the Greater Washington, D.C. region?
- Want to improve the quality of your grantmaking or corporate giving?
- Provide philanthropic services in the Greater Washington, D.C. region?
- Focus on the field of philanthropy or nonprofit leadership at a University, think tank, or academic institution?
- Focus on grants and/or public partnerships at a Government office in the Greater Washington D.C. region?

Contact us about partnership opportunities!

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