

MEMBERSHIP

Connect, learn, and collaborate with leading funders and philanthropists in the Greater Washington region!

Membership to the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers (WRAG) offers a wide range of benefit that strengthens your work and improves your organization's ability to fulfill your philanthropic mission. As a member, your staff, trustees, and board have access to dozens of educational and networking opportunities, involvement in our high-impact collaborative initiatives, access to our high-quality communications and publications, and most importantly, access to a network of more than 100 of the region's most active and well-respected grantmaking organizations.

We're here to help create the philanthropic impact you want to make in our region and beyond. WRAG is where you will build connections with your peers, enhance your skills, access resources, share best practices, and leverage your investments for greater results.

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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.



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 programs and events, via our various listservs and social media outlets, and our **online Member Directory**.



Communications

WRAG keeps members, policymakers, and the media up-to-date about the field of philanthropy and its impact on the region through a wide range of communications tools, including *The Weekly WRAG*, the annual **Our Region, Our Giving** report, and via social media on **Facebook** and Twitter (**@WRAGTweets** and **@WRAGPrez**).



Capacity

WRAG helps you strengthen your staff. Through our **Philanthropy Fellows program**, we match members with students from the University of Maryland's Do Good Institute. Fellows support members for a semester or year-long fellowships. Hiring? Post your position description on our **job board** for free.



Expertise

Whether you are searching for resources, seeking technical assistance, looking for potential funding partners, or are interested in hosting an event for your colleagues, **WRAG's expert staff** is here to help.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

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We invite you to join a robust and diverse network of funders who are dedicated to improving the Greater Washington region.

Currently, we offer two categories of membership: full and associate. For questions not answered below, please contact our Director of Corporate & Foundation Advancement, Todd Pittman, at Pittman@WashingtonGrantmakers.org or (202) 939-3437.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

FULL MEMBERSHIP:

To qualify as a full member of WRAG, organizations must:

- Make grants to multiple grantees in the Greater Washington region;
- Affirm that their core interest in joining WRAG is to improve the quality of their own grantmaking;
- Be committed to working with other members to improve the quality of life in our region; and
- Agree to abide by WRAG's **non-solicitation policy**.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP:

If you do not meet the eligibility requirements for full membership, you may still be able to join WRAG!

To qualify for associate membership, you must agree to abide by WRAG's **non-solicitation policy** and fall into one of the following categories:

- WRAG "Alumni" & Retirees (Individuals in fundraising/development positions are ineligible. Alumni are eligible for 1 year after leaving member organization).
- Philanthropic Advisors: Professionals who provide services in support of grantmaking as a majority of their business.
- Academic Institutions: University think tanks and academic institutions that focus on the field of philanthropy or nonprofit leadership.
- Government office focused on grants and/or public partnerships.
- Philanthropic Infrastructure Organization: Organizations that serve the field of philanthropy.

NEXT STEPS

Submit the Membership Application via email or direct mail to:

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Any Questions – Contact us!

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