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Lowell Weiss has spent more than two decades working to spark social change, from a unique set of vantage points and across a broad array of local, national, and global issues. At Cascade Philanthropy Advisors, he provides personalized guidance to donors seeking to deepen their impact, with services ranging from designing new initiatives to implementing focused advocacy efforts to engaging family members.

Prior to founding Cascade Philanthropy Advisors, he served in a leadership role at one of the world's foremost change-making institutions, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Among his many responsibilities, he served as staff director of the internal team responsible for providing Bill and Melinda Gates with analytical insights on how to make highest and best use of Warren Buffett's historic gift. During his time at Gates, Lowell drew upon a wealth of knowledge he previously gained as the director of the chairman's office at an equally innovative foundation, the Morino Institute, which invests in improving the lives of at-risk children in Greater Washington, DC.

As Special Assistant to the President in the White House, Lowell traveled extensively with the President Bill Clinton, wrote more than 150 speeches for him, and served as a key communications strategist on issues ranging from the environment to economic development. Before that, Lowell served in a similar capacity with Vice President Al Gore, wrote a New York Times bestselling book with political consultant James Carville, and served as an editor at The Atlantic Monthly. Lowell graduated magna cum laude from Amherst College.