

Forum on Global Perspectives on Collective Impact

The forum explores the meaning and potential of collective impact and engaging the next generation to strategically pool resources and expertise under a shared vision. Many foundations and organizations have increasingly acknowledged that today's highly complex social problems cannot be solved by a single individual or group. Interdisciplinary approaches and cross-sector collaboration is critical for achieving large-scale and long term solutions. We see the emergence of this trend through the (1) advent and spread of giving circles and collective giving models formed by individuals of diverse backgrounds; and (2) increased efforts by foundations, nonprofits, governments, and corporations to converge on a common agenda.

The speakers featured in this forum have adopted philanthropic strategies that mark a significant shift from traditional, project-based funding or isolated intervention by individual organizations. With greater communication, coordination, and alignment of resources, we can create more comprehensive and far-reaching solutions to 21st century social and environmental challenges. Join us in exploring the opportunities and challenges of collective impact models in the local and international context.