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New Report Outlines How Philanthropy is Responding to 2020 Crises

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- WHO:
- Dalberg
 - Philanthropy California (Northern California Grantmakers, Southern California Grantmakers, and San Diego Grantmakers)
 - Council on Foundations

WHAT: From an unprecedented global pandemic and associated economic crisis, to the unjust murders and treatment of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color, the crises of 2020 have deeply affected millions of Americans and laid bare the inequities in our systems and institutions.

A new report from Council on Foundations, <u>Philanthropy California</u>, and <u>Dalberg Advisors</u> outlines how the US philanthropic sector is responding to the 2020 crises — and the opportunities to shift practices and share power to enable communities and the industry to build an equitable future.

We surveyed 250 foundation leaders and conducted more than a dozen in-depth interviews to assess how the sector is changing in three ways: resourcing, priorities, and internal operations. Across all three, we found shifts in practices yet few examples of increases in power sharing.

We found some significant shifts in practices including:

- **Resources** 60% of respondents have or plan to increase giving beyond 2020 planned levels with an average increase of 17%;
- **Priorities** an average of 26% of 2020 giving is now expected to go towards Covid-19 response and recovery, with a focus on programs to support communities; and
- Internal operations 85% of respondents are making changes to grantmaking practices to support existing grantees, including loosening restrictions and reducing reporting requirements.
- WHEN: Report released, Thursday, September 17, 2020

WHERE: <u>READ THE REPORT</u>

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