

Housing Solutions Fund

GMA Funder Community's 2026 pooled giving and learning experience

THE CHALLENGE

Eastern Massachusetts faces a layered housing crisis. What began as a challenge for low-income households is now a widespread issue—affecting working families, young adults, older adults, and essential workers.

In Boston, families with children are now the fastest-growing group experiencing homelessness.

THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PHILANTHROPY

While this crisis demands large-scale systems change, philanthropy has a distinct and timely role to play. The Housing Solutions Fund focuses on equity-driven strategies to address housing instability. We invite funders to **invest collaboratively in preventing displacement, building community power, and supporting innovative models that scale.**

Participating funders will deepen their understanding of local housing dynamics while honing their own grantmaking strategies to strengthen families and communities.

THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Over four curated learning sessions, participants **explore high-impact solutions at the household, community, and systems level.**

We'll hear directly from local leaders advancing solutions like tenant empowerment, community land trusts, legal advocacy, alternative financing, and data-driven policy reform.

The program culminates in **collaborative grantmaking**, with funder participants making decisions alongside their peers. Ninety-minute sessions run monthly from January through May 2026 in a hybrid format.

YOUR PARTICIPATION

In its 7th year, the GMA Funder Community is **now accepting grants** from donors eager to identify and fund community-driven solutions to a pressing large-scale issue. Grant sizes typically range from \$10,000 to \$75,000.

Join a network of peers for **shared learning, bold experimentation, and coordinated funding** for a more stable and inclusive region.

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