

# 2025 IMPACT REPORT

#### **TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

As the largest giving circle in the DC area, Many Hands has mobilized more than \$3.5 million since 2004 to support local nonprofits serving and empowering women, children, and families in socioeconomic need.









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# 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

#### Strengthening Our Collective Impact

As Grant Year 2025 ends, we celebrate another year of growth, collaboration, and unwavering commitment to funding local nonprofit organizations supporting women, children, and families in socioeconomic need in the Washington, DC area. Thanks to the generosity and engagement of our members, Many Hands continues to amplify the power of collective giving.

This year, we awarded \$325,000 in unrestricted grants to four exceptional nonprofits addressing inequities in our four focus areas—Economic Empowerment, Education, Health, and Housing. More than 80 members engaged in the review process, reading applications, reviewing financials, and participating in site visits, to identify one grantee per focus area. All of the grantees presented their organizations at the Annual Meeting in May. Many Hands members selected <a href="DC KinCare Alliance">DC KinCare Alliance</a> to receive the 2025 \$100,000 Impact Grant. <a href="Urban Ed, Inc.">Urban Ed, Inc.</a>, <a href="The Child and Eamily Network Centers">The Child and New Endeavors by Women</a> received partner grants of \$75,000 each.

Our strength lies in our members. In 2025, our Many Hands community grew to 286 voting members who contributed financially and through thoughtful dialogue, volunteer service, and shared learning. We continue to seek ways to engage our members.

Representatives of the grantees who were present at our April social gathering for members and grantees noted that significant changes in federal, state, local, and corporate policies have begun to impact the nonprofit community and the women, children, and families they serve. One CEO summed up a common theme: uncertainty and anxiety about the future of reliable funding sources. But the many expressions of resilience, hope, and gratitude for our support were encouraging.

Many Hands will continue to ensure that grantees have resources by offering awards that are unrestricted, providing valuable flexibility for their organizations. We are proud of having made that change several years ago, as a result of listening and learning from our grantees. Finally, as we prepare for the 2026 Grant Year, we remain, as always, steadfastly committed to our mission and core values. If the past is prologue, we look forward to a stronger Many Hands in 2026.









## 2025 GRANTEES



**DC KinCare Alliance** (DC KinCare) supports relative caregivers who raise Washington, DC's most vulnerable children when their parents are unable to care for them. They address needs faced by low-income, under-resourced communities: the inability to access legal rights, economic security, housing, food, financial opportunities, and healthcare. DC KinCare's volunteer lawyers represent caregivers in custody, domestic violence, and adoption cases. DC KinCare offers support groups for families and hosts seminars for court and service providers about the legal rights and financial benefits available to kinship families. Since 2017, DC KinCare has served over 1,000 relative caregivers and over 1,000 children in more than 1,000 legal matters.

New Endeavors by Women (NEW) serves women and children experiencing chronic homelessness in Washington, DC. NEW addresses homelessness issues by providing safe, stable housing, case managers, and social services support so residents can work toward taking control of their lives. NEW has seven permanent and transitional housing programs. They serve women with chronic health conditions, help women obtain employment, education and job readiness programs, and offer assistance in dealing with mental health and addiction issues. NEW's Youth Enrichment Program supports children with quality education, life skills training, and mentorship. Since 1988, NEW has served more than 3,900 women and 530 children.





The Child and Family Network Centers (CFNC) provides free high-quality multilingual early education and wraparound family services in Alexandria to under-resourced children and their families to prepare preschoolers for success in kindergarten and beyond. CFNC has eight neighborhood-based preschool classrooms, serving 139 preschool children and their families each year. The curriculum includes speech therapy, literacy, math skills, cognitive development, and physical and social development. Since its founding 40 years ago, CFNC has empowered over 4,000 families, and all have achieved goals related to parenting skills, home environments, and healthy child development.

Urban Ed, Inc. provides technical, career, business, and educational training and development to low-to-no income women and youth in the DC region, with the goal of transforming lives through technology. Urban Ed offers courses and career pathways in cybersecurity, IT support, network engineering, cloud computing, software development, and artificial intelligence. A new 3-year plan for young mothers of color is intended to improve their employment in STEM and IT careers. Urban Ed's students receive help and mentoring from more than 40 tech and engineering professionals. Over its history, Urban Ed has served 6,300 students, mostly between 14 and 24 years old.



## **EVENTS**



# MEMBER AND **GRANTEE SOCIAL**

April 27, 2025



On a lovely spring afternoon in late April, Many Hands hosted a social gathering for members and Many Hands grantees. More than 40 Many Hands members as well as representatives from 14 grantee organizations mingled at Penn Social in downtown DC sharing updates and thoughts about the current nonprofit climate.

After welcome greetings from Many Hands President Charis Keitelman and Board Member Lori Sostowski, each organization's leadership team made brief remarks about their programs and how they are addressing the challenges facing them.



A sense of hope and gratitude — for the work of the nonprofits and the support of Many Hands — was expressed by many grantee representatives.

The grantee organizations attending the Many Hands event were: Access Youth Inc., Beacon House, Washington, DC, CASA Prince George's County, Calvary Women's Services, College Bound, Inc., Communities in Schools Nation's Capital, Community Bridges, Friends of Guest House, Healthy Babies Project, Kitchen of Purpose, Nueva Vida, Playtime Project, Washington, DC, SafeSpot Children's Advocacy Center of Fairfax, and Together We Bake.





## **MEMBERSHIP**

## BY THE NUMBERS

56% 286 members for 3+ years

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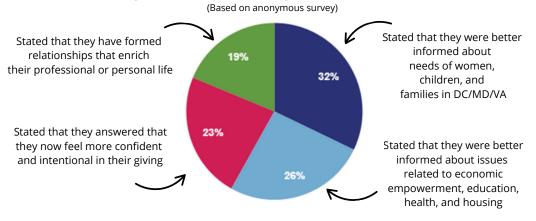
members

volunteers\*

members for 8+ years

\*Board Members, Membership Committee, Communications Committee, Grants Committee, Focus Area Committees, Financial Review Committee, Eligibility Review Team

#### **Impact of Many Hands Experience on Members**



The Membership Committee focused on increasing membership recruitment activities and keeping members engaged. Committee members hosted and facilitated many various sized gatherings, capitalizing on our members' existing communities to share the mission of Many Hands. The events were a positive and successful means for furthering connectedness among women with philanthropic intentions in a social setting among groups such as neighbors, work colleagues, parents of school-aged children, and younger persons. Increasing the membership of women under age 50, including those who are in the early stages of their philanthropic activities, and women of color continues to be a priority.

The Committee organized an informal social gathering for our members and grantees. Representatives of 14 grantees attended and shared their visions and successes and described the challenges ahead for them. The event provided an occasion for our members to meet with our grantees on a one-toone basis and gave the grantees an opportunity to network with each other.

The Committee developed and conducted a short, online, anonymous survey. Collected data will be used to analyze membership trends, gain insights for programming interests, and address retention goals and strategic planning.

### 2024-25

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## **FINANCIALS**

Fundraising for grants was approximately 8% higher in Grant Year 2025 than the prior year. Investment income for both the Board Designated Future Fund and the Grant Fund was \$19,000 (in accordance with the Board approved Investment Policy, funds are invested in Treasuries). The combination of the strong fundraising gain and the investment income enabled us to increase the grants awarded in 2025 to a total of \$325,000; the Impact Grant of \$100,000 and three Partner Grants of \$75,000 each.

The following represents the uses of funds of \$362,000, of which 10% are operating expenses:

Grants	\$325,000
Financial Fees	\$6,000
Software & Technology	\$10,000
Events & Education	\$7,000
Professional Accounting Fees	\$8,000
Other Business Expenses	\$1,000

The Board Designated Future Fund Net Assets has a balance of \$265,000 as of June 30, 2025. This amount is arrived at by adding Investment Income and deducting eligible expenses from the contributions. The Investment policy allows for a maximum draw of 4%; the expenses above include \$5,000 of expenses from the draw, well within the approved amount.

## Fiscal Year 2025 Statement of Financial Position (6/30/25) Assets Cash.....\$20,000 Investments.....\$289,000 Investment Income Receivable.....\$289,000 Prepaid Expenses.....\$12,000 Total Assets.....\$325,000 Liabilities & Net Assets Board Designated .....\$265,000 Undesignated.....\$60,000 Total Liabilities & Net Assets......\$325,000 Statement of Activities (7/1/24–6/30/25) Revenue & Support Contributions Grants & Operations.....\$367,000 Future Fund......\$5,000 Investment Income.....\$19,000 Total ......\$391,000 Expenses **Programs** Grants Awarded.....\$325,000 Other Program Expenses.....\$12,000 Fundraising......\$6,000 Management & General.....\$19,000

Total ......\$362,000

Change in Net Assets.....\$29,000

# THANK YOU to our donors and volunteers

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#### **MISSION**

Many Hands leverages the power of collective giving to support nonprofits serving and empowering Washington, DC area women, children, and families in socioeconomic need.

#### **VISION**

To provide philanthropists with meaningful opportunities to give, learn, and serve together in ways that best fit their interests and goals.

#### **VALUES**

Many Hands believes in the power of collective giving.

Many Hands believes that **diversity**, **equity**, **and inclusion** are central to our work.

Many Hands believes in **trust-based philanthropy**.

Many Hands believes in **voluntarism**.

## JOIN US!

Maximize the impact of your giving by joining hundreds of donors to make large grants to outstanding local nonprofits.

Review grant applications, vote for the Impact Grantee, attend events, or simply support our grantees with your gift.

We welcome all members to participate in ways that fit their interests and needs.

Learn more at: manyhandsdc.org/membership

## **READY TO GIVE?**

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