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Moving Money, Moving Power

2022 Annual Report

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Onward

2022 was a year of continued growth and evolution for GCIR. We continued to expand our staff capacity—including adding new members to our talented programs team—and we leaned into our roles of convenor, amplifier, and mobilizer. We:

- created spaces for learning while promoting strategies that are intersectional, cross-movement, and liberatory;
- partnered with and amplified the voices, expertise, and experience of immigrant and refugee leaders; and
- mobilized resources by modeling and encouraging philanthropic practices that cede and seed power to immigrant and refugee communities.

This evolution was not limited to our external-facing work; we also continued to implement internal systems and policies that promote and facilitate equity, inclusion, and learning. As I have often said, my job as GCIR's President is to create the conditions in which others thrive and succeed, and—in 2022—we co-created

and implemented cultural and operational practices to support our individual and collective sustainability and thriving.

At GCIR, we talk about doing our work in a networked way, and we could not have accomplished all that we did in 2022 without the many movement, field, funder, and government partners we have collaborated with along the way. Your support, mutuality, and reciprocity helped us create strategic opportunities to move money and power to immigrant and refugee communities and to galvanize stakeholders and decision-makers to resource a robust immigration and refugee rights power-building ecosystem. We are grateful for your leadership and solidarity.

Onward,
Marissa Tirona



◀ In 2022, GCIR remained committed to pushing philanthropy to take bold action in support of immigrant communities and to move money and power to movement organizations. Photo credit / Fibonacci Blue

Trusted Expertise on Critical Issues

To inform grantmaking across a wide spectrum of issues, GCIR produced timely webinar briefings and information resources, highlighting intersections between immigrant justice and other social justice issues and movements, including [racial justice](#), [LGBTQ rights](#), and [worker justice](#). We drew attention to the needs of directly-impacted communities and those traditionally excluded from grantmaking priorities, while informing funders of opportunities to invest in organizations providing legal services, [advancing narrative change](#), [organizing workers in rural areas](#), and [fighting for pro-immigrant policies](#). We also launched our [public policy platform](#) in 2022 to heighten philanthropic awareness of—and support for—key priorities of the immigrant justice movement.

Calls to Action and Solidarity

Rallying philanthropy to defend and affirm equity and justice remained a central part of GCIR’s strategy in 2022. We issued statements and called on philanthropy to support the [Afghan Adjustment Act](#), defend the [right to seek asylum](#), [protect DACA](#), and invest in organizations addressing the [threat of human trafficking](#) faced by foreign-born workers. Drawing on knowledge and insights from field organizations, we created funding recommendations to inform grantmaking, including an [analysis of the Biden administration’s record on immigration policy](#) after a year in office.



◀ A crowd of protesters gathers to show support for DACA in Los Angeles. DACA was among the many immigration policies that GCIR prioritized in 2022.

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National Convening

Our 2022 National Convening in Houston—[Power | Promise | Transformation](#)—highlighted the extensive and powerful work advocates are undertaking to advance immigrant justice in the state, despite pervasive anti-immigrant policies and rhetoric. Convening speakers, including movement leaders from across the state and country, uplifted the intersections between immigration and racial, reproductive, disability, and environmental justice, among other issues. GCIIR’s two-page infographic, [Texas: Newcomers and Neighbors](#), offered insights on the profile of immigrants in this changing state.



▲ A plenary session at GCIIR’s 2022 National Convening in Houston featured (pictured from left): Juanita Cabrera Lopez, Kalia Abiade, Guerline M. Jozef, and Dauda Sesay, National Network Director, African Communities Together.

Amplifying Movement Voices

GCIIR continued to provide a platform for the voices of immigrant justice movement leaders through our blog series Amplify, shining a spotlight on organizations and issues often overlooked in funder conversations about immigrant justice. In 2022, we were honored to feature:



[Katherine Perez](#), Director of the Coelho Center for Disability Law, Policy, and Innovation at Loyola Law School, who shared her insights about building power for immigrants with disabilities, working at the intersection of movements, and how philanthropy can help create spaces for cross-movement work.



[Arcenio Lopez](#), Executive Director of Mixteco/Indigena Community Organizing Project (MICOP), who underscored the importance of forging alliances with other Indigenous communities and highlighted ways philanthropy can invest in Indigenous-led organizations building power for their communities.



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California Dignity for Families Fund

Launched in 2021 in response to record numbers of migrants arriving at the southern U.S. border, the California Dignity for Families Fund invests in organizations to provide migrant families with urgent humanitarian relief, ensure due process for asylum seekers, and support resettlement in communities throughout the state. The Fund subsequently expanded its purpose to include support for Afghan and Haitian migrants. By the end of 2022, the Fund had moved nearly \$11 million to 44 organizations serving communities across California.



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The fund resources organizations that provide migrant families and unaccompanied children with urgent humanitarian relief, ensure due process for asylum seekers, and support their resettlement in communities throughout the state.

California Immigrant Integration Initiative

GCIR's California Immigrant Integration Initiative (CIII) continued to provide dozens of California funders with a robust infrastructure for developing rapid response funding strategies while coordinating grantmaking to address invest in immigrant justice infrastructure in the state over the long term. In 2022, GCIR released [Immigration Legal Services in California: A Time for Bold Action](#), drawing on interviews with legal service providers to understand the capacity of immigration legal service providers in California and generate recommendations for philanthropic investment.



Delivering on the Dream

GCIR's Delivering on the Dream (DOTD) network has grown to include 27 collaboratives in 21 states, with more than 160 local, state, and national funders supporting over 700 grantees since DOTD's inception in 2012. These grantees work in multiple areas, including immigration legal services, advocacy and outreach, and education and Know Your Rights. In total, DOTD has mobilized nearly \$90 million for immigrant communities across the country over the past decade.



Through our longstanding funder networks, GCIR provided a political home for funders prioritizing immigrant rights and justice to learn, strategize, and coordinate with like-minded partners.



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Heising-Simons Foundation

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Marguerite Casey Foundation

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The California Wellness
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2022 Partners

Beyond GCIR's programming and resources, our team members provided thought leadership through external advisory committees, working groups, and speaking engagements at conferences. We wish to thank the following philanthropy-supporting organizations and funder collaboratives for inviting us to share our expertise with their members and for partnering with us on programs.

Arizona Grantmakers Forum	Funders for LGBTQ Issues	Neighborhood Funders Group
Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy	Funders Together to End Homelessness	Northern California Grantmakers
Catalyst of San Diego & Imperial Counties	Grantmakers Council of Rhode Island	Orange County Grantmakers
Community Foundations of Florida	Grantmakers in Health	Philanthropy Massachusetts
Council of New Jersey Grantmakers	Hispanics in Philanthropy	Philanthropy Network Greater Philadelphia
Democracy Fund	Houston Immigration Legal Services Collaborative	Philanthropy New York
Economic Opportunity Funders	Legal Services Funders Network	Philanthropy Northwest
Forefront	Maine Philanthropy Center	Philanthropy Southeast
Four Freedoms Fund	Maryland Philanthropy Network	RISE Together Fund
Funders Concerned About AIDS	National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy	Southern California Grantmakers
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		Women's Funding Network



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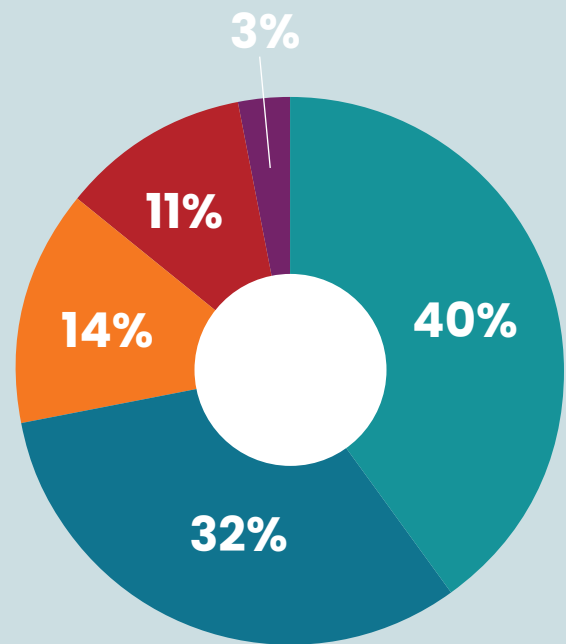
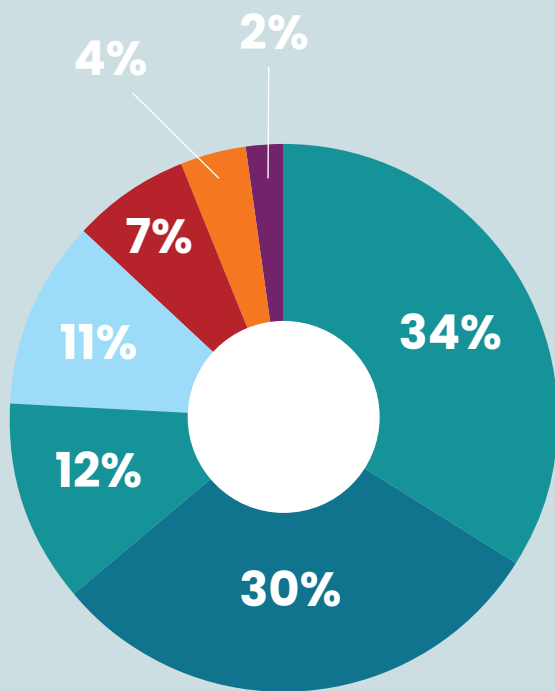
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Number of
Members in
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139



Membership by Geographic Focus

National	34%
California	30%
Northeast	12%
South including Texas	11%
Midwest	7%
Pacific Northwest	4%
Mountain	2%

Members by Years of Membership

1-5 years	40%
6-10 years	32%
11-15 years	14%
16-20 years	11%
21+ years	3%



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