

## Community Progress Makers: Meet the Fourth Cohort

### **About Community Progress Makers**

The Community Progress Makers initiative first launched in 2015 to provide unrestricted, trust-based funding to support visionary organizations that are working to connect low-income communities to greater economic opportunities.

Now in its fourth cohort, the program supports community-based organizations in Greater Chicago, Greater New York City, Greater Washington, D.C, Northern California, Southern California and South Florida.

### **Highlights**







Through funding, collaboration and technical assistance, we're helping accelerate the innovation of visionary nonprofits with the hope of generating solutions that will drive lasting change for low-income communities."

#### **Brandee McHale**

President of the Citi Foundation



Multi-year, unrestricted funding remains an incredibly effective and underused way to support strong nonprofits. By trusting community organizations and affording them some breathing room, Citi Foundation puts them in a better position to make a lasting difference in people's lives."

#### Kathleen Enright

President and CEO of Council on Foundations

## Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Greater Chicago



Chicago Community Loan Fund provides flexible and affordable financing and technical assistance to people in underserved communities across metropolitan Chicago to support economic growth and opportunity for low-income neighborhoods, families and individuals.



Ladder Up offers financial education programs to low-income residents across Chicago to help them secure tax refunds, navigate financial systems and obtain financial aid for college.



North Lawndale Employment Network reduces barriers to employment by providing job seekers in the North Lawndale neighborhood of Chicago with access to financial tools and literacy training and by partnering with employers in recruiting and worker retention efforts.



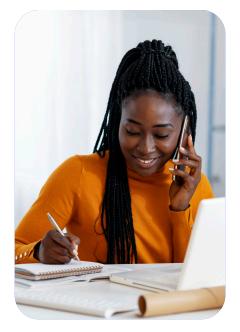
Sunshine Enterprises supports low-income entrepreneurs in Chicago's South and West Sides and Evanston, helping them grow their businesses through training, coaching, professional networking and access to capital.



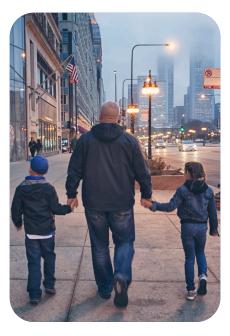
Women's Business Development Center accelerates business development and growth for primarily women-owned businesses in Greater Chicago by providing access to strategic coaching, contracting assistance, financial education and capital options.



Working Credit promotes equitable access to credit in predominantly low-income Black and Latinx communities in Chicago by providing credit-building education, one-on-one counseling and access to financial products.







## Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Greater New York City



America On Tech prepares the next generation of technology leaders by offering students of color in New York City programming on a variety of technology skills and supporting career readiness, internships and job placements.



Building Neighborhoods Together works to end housing insecurity, income inequality and homelessness for low-income families with a primary focus in the City of Bridgeport by creating safe and affordable housing and providing financial and housing counseling services.



Chhaya Community Development Corporation

champions strong and equitable South Asian and Indo-Caribbean neighborhoods in New York City by providing home-buyer, tenant and small business support, financial counseling and tax preparation assistance.



**Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation** 

combines brick-and-mortar housing development and preservation with supportive services to help youth and adults in East New York and Brooklyn achieve educational and economic success and develop leadership skills.



Fifth Avenue Committee works to advance economic, social and racial justice in New York City through community-centered affordable housing, grassroots organizing, policy advocacy, education, training and service delivery.



Greater Newark Enterprises Corporation provides loan capital and technical assistance to micro and small businesses from underserved and underbanked communities in Northern New Jersey.









# Habitat for Humanity New York City and Westchester County

advocates for, builds and preserves affordable housing across the five New York City boroughs and Westchester County for low-income families and communities historically excluded from the homeownership market.



Start Small Think Big aims to advance economic equity by connecting New York Citybased entrepreneurs of color and women entrepreneurs to an ecosystem of resources and support to help their businesses grow and prosper.



#### **Leadership Training Institute**

helps underserved families and individuals unlock their leadership potential through workforce development, mentoring and economic mobility programs on Long Island.



The Ali Forney Center aims to protect LGBTQ+ youth in New York City from the effects of homelessness by providing them with access to housing and job readiness training.



# RiseBoro Community Partnership offers

programming focused on seniors, health, housing and financial stability to support underserved communities throughout New York City.



# The Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development

operates throughout New York City's five boroughs as a membership organization of community groups using research, technical assistance, advocacy and grassroots organizing to support affordable housing and economic development initiatives.



SEO (Sponsors for Educational

Opportunity) provides lowincome public high school and college students in New York City with a cost-free, eightyear academic program that expands access to education, internships and other forms of career readiness.



Urban Upbound works to break cycles of poverty for residents of New York City public housing and low-income neighborhoods by providing employment services, access to college, small business support, tax preparation, mental health counseling and more.



SEPA Mujer aims to foster civic engagement and advance the leadership of women and girls in Long Island by providing inclusive access to resources like cash assistance and legal representation.



Women's Housing and
Economic Development
Corporation unlocks access to resources for residents of New
York City's Bronx neighborhood, including sustainable and affordable homes, high-quality early education and after school programs, healthy food and cultural programming.

<sup>\*</sup>Greater Newark Enterprises Corporation and Habitat for Humanity New York City and Westchester County are Community Development Financial Institutions

## Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Greater Washington, D.C.



**1863 Ventures** accelerates entrepreneurship and wealth-building tools for "new majority" founders in Washington, D. C., providing them with business development programming, leadership training and strategic market access.



Capital Area Asset Builders creates opportunities for low- income Black and Latinx individuals in the greater Washington, D.C. area to build financial security, savings and asset accumulation through a range of financial, education and coaching programs.



Community Lodgings works in the City of Alexandria, Virginia to lift low-income families from homelessness and housing instability through programming in transitional housing, affordable housing and youth education.



HomeFree-USA partners with financial service providers, community organizations and government leaders to broaden access to affordable homeownership for people of color in the greater Washington, D.C. area.



Montgomery Housing Partnership works to preserve and expand affordable housing in Montgomery County, Maryland by acquiring, rehabilitating, building and managing quality affordable housing.







## Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Northern California



ASIAN, Inc. expands access to business development, housing and financial empowerment opportunities for Asian Americans and low-income communities throughout the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties.



Fresno Area Hispanic Foundation fosters entrepreneurship as a means towards economic self-sufficiency by providing small business development assistance, access to financing, educational training and networking opportunities throughout the San Joaquin Valley region.



ICA Fund supports small businesses in the San Francisco Bay Area led by women, people of color and low-income individuals by providing them with mentoring, investments and professional connections.



Mission Asset Fund provides financial products and services to low-income individuals and immigrants in the San Francisco Bay Area, including zero-interest credit-building loans for entrepreneurs, emergency grants and immigration loans.



MyPath expands economic mobility for youth by supporting cities, nonprofits and financial institutions in San Francisco to integrate income, banking, saving and credit-building tools into existing youth-serving programs.









Northern California Land Trust works to make housing more affordable and promote housing stability for low-income individuals and communities in the San Francisco Bay Area.



**Opportunity Junction** provides career counseling, job training and placement in specialized fields to job seekers in Contra Costa County, helping them attain employment and achieve financial security.



Pacific Community Ventures, a nonprofit impact investor, supports small business owners and their communities in the San Francisco Bay Area by providing access to capital, pro bono business advising services and an innovation lab focused on creating jobs to help close racial and wealth gaps.



Rubicon Programs aims to advance economic mobility for underemployed individuals in Alameda and Contra Costa counties by providing services to help with job placement, job retention, leadership training, financial education and legal needs.







## Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from Southern California



Central City Neighborhood Partners provides low-income families in Los Angeles with access to housing, food, health, transportation and education through professional and career development, financial education, tax assistance and more.



City Heights Community Development
Corporation partners with local San Diego
residents to advance small business
development, affordable housing, resident
services, eviction prevention, transportation and
urban planning.



Inclusive Action for the City supports underserved communities in Los Angeles County and beyond by expanding access to capital and advancing community-driven policy.



Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services provides innovative affordable housing and financial solutions to underserved individuals, families and communities throughout the Inland Valley counties of San Bernardino, Riverside and Eastern Los Angeles.



New Economics for Women aims to drive economic mobility for generations of Latinx people, women and families living in poverty in Los Angeles by providing access to financial coaching, housing, education, entrepreneurship and civic engagement.









Orange County Community Housing
Corporation provides low-income families
across Orange County with access to education
and housing assistance to help them transition
toward greater self-sufficiency.



#### **Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment**

supports low-income residents within Asian and Pacific Islander, Black and Latinx communities in Los Angeles by offering comprehensive programs to address employment, education, housing, environmental and business development needs.



PCR Business Finance promotes community and economic development by delivering financial, educational and advisory services to underserved small businesses and communities in Southern California.



Ventura County Community Development Corporation supports low-to moderate-income individuals and families across Ventura County and Kern County in building wealth through education and homeownership.







### Meet the Fourth Cohort of Community Progress Makers from South Florida



Branches brings financial health opportunities to low-income students and families throughout Miami-Dade County through financial wellness coaching, tax assistance, college readiness and youth achievement programs.



Habitat for Humanity of Broward unites Broward County residents to build homes and communities, aiming to improve the lives of families through affordable homeownership.



Pathway Capital Funding aims to expand the flow of capital to small, minority and womenowned businesses in Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast.



The Allapattah Collaborative CDC seeks to prevent the displacement of locally owned and operated small businesses by expanding access to grants, loans and technical assistance and advancing the cultural preservation of "Little Santo Domingo," a historic neighborhood in Miami.



**Urban League of Broward County** aims to advance historically underserved communities in Broward County by addressing household needs through education, health initiatives and community and economic development.





