



HEADWATERS™

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The Giving Project

The Giving Project is an innovative model for building power. We achieve this through community organizing, leadership development, and funding social change. In the last four years, 100 Giving Project participants raised over \$660,000 to support social justice organizations across Minnesota.

The Giving Project Process:	Apply if you...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A cross-class, multi-racial group of 25 individuals commits to the six-month process.• Each person makes a meaningful financial gift• The group develops a shared understanding of race, class, and power within society• We provide lots of hands-on support as each participant raises money from friends, family, and community• Participants also learn about and are supported through the Headwaters grantmaking process. The group reads and scores proposals, takes part in site visits, makes collective decisions, and grants out money.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• want to confront issues on injustice by moving money to some of the most inspiring, effective, social change work in the region.• are passionate about building community across lines of race and class.• want to learn how to fundraise, make grants, and expand your network.• are open to and ready for personal transformation.

No prior experience with philanthropy or fundraising is necessary—we train and support you along the way! The Giving Project will be a multi-racial, cross-class cohort. Black, Indigenous and people of color, LGBTQ-identified people, and low or no-wealth individuals are especially encouraged to apply.



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Next Steps:

- Fill out the online interest form on our website! We will accept and review submissions throughout the fall. **The priority deadline is Thursday, October 31st.**
- We will contact potential participants within two to three weeks for a one-to-one conversation with a Giving Project alumni or Headwaters' staff member.
- We will notify you during the week of December 9th about where you have been selected for the Giving Project or have been placed on a waiting list for a future cohort.



For more information, please contact Allison Johnson Heist at allison@headwatersfoundation.org or visit <http://headwatersfoundation.org/get-involved/join-giving-project>.

Headwaters' Giving Project is part of a national learning community of foundations working together in donor organizing, leadership development and social justice philanthropy. Over the last 5 years, Giving Projects across the country have moved \$4 million from over 6,000 donors. To learn more about the national model, visit www.givingprojects.org