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Conference Recap



In mid June, 100 youth philanthropists and the adults that support them, gathered together at the Youth Philanthropy Connect 3rd annual conference for a unique experience providing educational sessions, speakers, and activities specifically for youth involved in foundations, giving families, and nonprofit organizations. Over the course of three days, youth attended five sets of concurrent sessions presented by experts in various fields from across the country, heard from two engaging and nationally renowned keynote speakers Rosetta Thurman and Jen Bokoff, developed their own personal mission statements, networked with peers and professionals, and participated in the "Giving Circle" activity.

New at the conference this year was an intergenerational Service Activity, sponsored by the [Tarsadia Foundation](#) and organized by [Doing Good Together](#), where attendees volunteered their time to projects benefitting local Orange County based nonprofits, including [SeniorSery](#), [SPIN](#), [Send Kids the World](#), [Light of Hope Kenya](#), [Orange County Humane Society](#), and [Canyon Acres Ranch Kinship Center](#). With projects varying from decorating placemats to tying blankets to making dog toys, participants were able to enjoy some informal time with their family members and peers while making a difference for community nonprofits!

We would like to thank our sponsors, attendees, and Leadership Team for a successful conference. We were so inspired by everyone we met and truly enjoyed connecting with all of you! Keep unleashing your potential as young philanthropists!

If you haven't already, make sure to check out our [Facebook](#) to view photos from the conference!



To hear more about the conference, visit [GrantCraft's blog](#) for Jen Bokoff's story, "Youth Philanthropy Conference Reflections."

Giving Circle

As a part of our Annual Conference, we hosted a Giving Circle, an experiential learning activity in which youth awarded \$3,500 in grant funds to five nonprofit youth board applicants that will further advance those youth projects.

Nonprofits from the community applied for funding to directly involve youth in their organizations. The youth from the nonprofits came to talk about their work and projects during the conference on Nonprofit Day. On the final day of the conference, youth attendees discussed the five grant finalists and their projects, and then deliberated on how to grant the budgeted \$3,500. All five organizations were funded in some way! Thank you to Foundant Technologies and Whittier Trust Philanthropic Services for supporting the Giving Circle.



Thank you to [Bright Prospect](#), [The Children's Nature Institute](#), [City Hearts](#), the [LA Gay & Lesbian Center](#), and [South Central Scholars](#) for applying to our Giving Circle, engaging youth, and joining us on Nonprofit Day!

Igniting the Spark Resource and NCFP Webinar

Youth Philanthropy Connect is proud to announce a brand new resource created in partnership with the [National Center for Family Philanthropy](#) (NCFP) titled *IGNITING THE SPARK: Creating Effective Next Generation Boards*. It provides a comprehensive landscape of the field, considerations, and proven practices for starting, ramping up, and energizing your junior or next generation board. The article will be accompanied by several case studies on foundations with formal youth engagement strategies in the coming month. NCFP will be publishing these case studies as a serial in their Family Giving News and complement to *Igniting the Spark*.

For your free copy of *Igniting the Spark*, click [here](#).

We are happy to partner with NCFP to bring you a webinar on *Igniting the Spark* on **Thursday, September 12, 2:30 PM EST**. Click [here](#) for more information and to register!

NATIONAL CENTER FOR FAMILY PHILANTHROPY

Igniting the Spark: Creating Effective Next Generation Boards

By Kevin Lukowski, Annie Hernandez, and Katie Marcus Baker

PASSAGES ISSUE BRIEF

FOR family foundations and a growing number of donor-advised funds, preparing the next generation for involvement brings special concerns—and exciting opportunities. Succession is reported to be the single most important issue facing family foundations, according to nearly half (48%) of respondents to the Association for Small Foundations 2011 Foundation Operations and Management Report. At the same time, there is a broad range of experience in families with regard to how next generation family members are involved in family philanthropy. According to the National Center for Family Philanthropy's 2011 study, Current Practices in Family Foundations, a near equal number of respondents "strongly agreed" (34%) or "strongly disagreed" (33%) with the statement "next generation members are playing a significant role in the foundation."

In This Issue:

- 1 What is a Next Gen Board?
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The volume of funds, foundations, and other giving among young Americans from high-net-worth families is expanding to unprecedented levels. "The next generations of major philanthropists will have tremendous influence on the direction of and support for efforts to improve local communities and solve global problems over the next several decades," write the authors of the 2012 #NextGenDonors study conducted by the Johnson Center for Philanthropy and 2164, a non-profit consulting group specializing in multi-generational engagement.

For many families, it is important that the next generation not only gives but gives as part of the family—that it not only acts as a philanthropic machine but that it does so together. For those with this goal, it is heartening that 90% of the #NextGenDonors research respondents cited their parents as their model of philanthropy.

This research, as well as previous research conducted by US Trust and the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, has shown that the more—and earlier—parents engage their children in philanthropy, the more their legacy of giving will be passed along. Millennials are a generation that cares and wants to work with their peers—siblings, cousins, friends, or schoolmates—to produce meaningful change. Since next generation members are crafting their philanthropic identity at a young age, families need to help find unique ways to help shape this as younger ages.

This *Passages Issue Brief* introduces an increasingly popular method for preparing the next generation for philanthropic service: the next generation or junior board. The paper covers the variety of purposes

Michigan Youth Philanthropy Conference



Youth Philanthropy Connect's Director and two Leadership Team members, Sammy and Sarah Saltzman from the Frieda C. Fox Family Foundation Junior Board, joined approximately 300 youth grantmakers and their adult advisors from Michigan for the Council of Michigan Foundation's annual 3-day educational conference planned and facilitated by the [Michigan Community Foundations Youth Project \(MCFYP\)](#) Committee. The youth-run conference themed *Impassioned. Empowered. Better Me. Better We.* focused on best practices for youth advisory councils based in community foundations, helped participants identify their passions, provided exposure to creative avenues for expression by highlighting the work of the [Deaf Professional Artists Network](#) founded by Sean Forbes, and more. We were very impressed by Michigan's 20 year commitment with over 13,500 youth participants in youth philanthropy programs. We would recommend this conference for anyone wanting to learn more about community-based youth philanthropy efforts and see a totally youth-run and empowered conference in action!

Announcing 4th Annual Conference Dates



Plan to join us in 2014!
2014 Annual Conference
July 24 - 26
Disneyland's
Grand Californian Hotel

Mark your
calendars!

More information
about the
conference
and registration
coming soon.

Upcoming Opportunities to Connect

Youth Philanthropy Connect would love the opportunity to connect with you at the following events:

The National Center for Family Philanthropy September 2013 Webinar: Igniting the Spark: Effective Next Generation Boards

September 12, 2:30 p.m. EST

Association of Small Foundations CONNECT Conference

October 1-3, Albuquerque, NM
Exhibit Hall Booth and Dine-Around

Foundant Summit 2013: Doing Good Better, Together

October 20-23, Isle of Palms, SC

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations Supporting Movements Gathering

November 18-19, Washington, DC

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