

How We Help Foundations

Detroit Philanthropy believes that philanthropy should be a fun and rewarding experience. By combining our expertise with a strong understanding of your philanthropic goals, we can help you help others! Whether your private foundation is in the process of being formalized or you are already up and running, our personalized advisory services can help ensure your charitable vision is fully realized, resources are maximized, and meaningful impact is generated.

All services will be tailored to meet your unique needs, and may include consultations, work product development, nonprofit assessments, or full foundation oversight and management.

Working with Detroit Philanthropy helped us create a clear path to achieve our goals. They were a wealth of knowledge in the charitable industry and helped us make connections that enabled us to implement our philanthropic strategies. They are 100% value add! - Cara Gardner, Trustee Britt Perrotta Sommerfield Trust

Specifically, Detroit Philanthropy offers:

- Develop a mission statement, funding priorities, and guiding principles intended to drive thoughtful engagement in causes or organizations you care about most.
- Develop a tailored grant making program including proposal requirements, guidelines for submission and a common application.
- Provide expert analysis of charities to ensure they are financially healthy, adhere to industry standards, and generate measurable outcomes.
- Serve as primary point of contact for grantees.

- Review all funding requests and conduct site visits to ensure mission alignment, project impact, and social return on investment.
- Draft and execute pledge schedules and gift agreements as needed.
- Provide guidance on engagement for multigeneration family foundations.
- If the foundation seeks to raise outside funding, fundraising campaigns can be developed and executed.
- Facilitate gift recognition, as appropriate.