

### 2017 Annual Report

2017 MCF used its new strategic framework as a launching point to challenge ourselves and our members to think in new ways about our changing philanthropic landscape and going beyond the now to address the challenges of the future. Members were able to participate in immigration webinars and issue briefings, as well as a disaster conference call. Corporate members focused on The United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals as they expand their giving internationally. The common language provided by the USDG helped them as they improve their work and impact. We debuted our new purpose statement: MCF is a vibrant philanthropic community collectively advancing prosperity and equity. And we shaped our programs and services around putting these three new strategies into action:

# Amplify and share members' activities, learning and impact

- Offered retreats for philanthropy professionals at every level: new grantmakers, democracy and philanthropy, and our executives retreat
- Partnered with other philanthropy-serving organizations across the country to offer webinars tailored to the needs of family foundations
- The Minnesota Impact Investing Initiative grew to nearly \$20 million invested

### Anticipate future trends

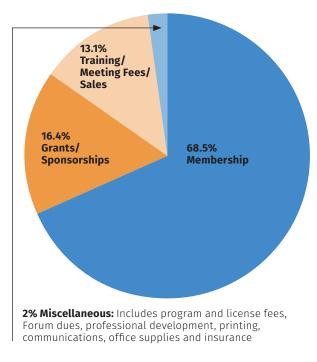
- Launched the Minnesota Census Mobilization Partnership to prepare the state for an inclusive and accurate Census in 2020
- Secured legislative funding to add staff to the State Demographer's Office, making Minnesota one of only four states to have made a direct appropriation to gear up for the 2020 Census
- Hosted a local conversation around the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, and innovative ways funders can help create a

## Deepen relationships among members

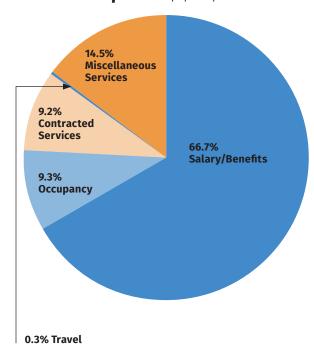
- Supported collaboration among members through participating in the Solidarity MN and Better OUTComes funder collaboratives
- Gathered hundreds of grantmakers from across Minnesota to discuss collaboration, civic engagement, equity and more at our Annual Conference titled Philanthropy in Action
- Held network meetings for funders of all types to facilitate new connections

### **2017 MCF Core Budget**





#### **Expense:** \$1,631,145



"MCF really stepped up last year to help foundations navigate many complex issues that directly affect our work, including tax reform. As a trusted source for information, ideas and insights, they play a vital role in our effort to positively impact the communities we serve."

R.T. Rybak, President and CEO of The Minneapolis Foundation

"Under the leadership of the Minnesota Council on Foundations' Disaster Philanthropy Working Group, our Minnesota philanthropic community is taking action, both individually and collectively, to address disaster relief and recovery. Important partnerships are developing across all types of foundations and with public sector emergency managers and nonprofit providers to make our communities more resilient."

— Holly Sampson, President and CEO of Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation "The annual member celebration helps me build relationships within our philanthropic community. I truly appreciate having the opportunity to connect with and learn from fellow MCF members at the event and throughout the year."

 Rebecca Stibbe, Philanthropic Advisor at Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundations