Affiliated Networks and Coalitions Overview

Affiliated Networks and Coalitions are Minnesota-focused philanthropic groups that engage a number of MCF members and are housed outside of MCF. They could fit anywhere on the collaborative philanthropy spectrum – peer network, working group or collaboration (e.g. a funders collaborative housed at a community foundation, a local chapter of a national affinity group, etc.) MCF supports affiliated networks and coalitions by providing promotion and meeting space.

What do affiliated networks and coalitions look like?

- **How to Participate:** Connect with affiliated networks and coalitions directly via links on MCF’s website. Affiliated groups determine their own goals and purpose, membership requirements, funding model, leadership structure, meeting frequency, etc.
- **MCF’s Role Includes:**
  - Promote events via MCF channels (e-newsletter, website, etc.)
  - Provide meeting space as requested
  - Include the affiliated network/coalition on MCF’s website to encourage member involvement
  - Encourage MCF members to join relevant affiliated networks and coalitions
  - Make connections across the collaborative philanthropy spectrum

  *MCF’s role does not include coordination/administrative support (e.g. collecting event registrations, printing nametags, staffing events, managing listservs or groups on the Hub, etc.)*

- **MCF Liaison Role Includes:**
  - Connect with MCF on promotional and meeting space needs
  - Reach out with event ideas or opportunities for collaboration, as applicable
- **Who can Participate:** MCF members and non-members, as determined by each affiliated network or coalition
- **Cost:** TBD by each affiliated network or coalition; the MCF support described above is included as a member benefit