Maximizing Philanthropy's Unique Role in Preventing and Ending Homelessness  
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What We Hope To Cover Today

• Welcome & Introductions

• Brief introduction of the HHMFC and new Strategic Framework

• Bringing the Framework to life
  – Working in Collaboration to Achieve Impact
  – Regionalization Initiative – Bringing people together with a common vision
  – Public Will – Advancing policy change

• Questions and Discussion
Who We Are

• **Member organization** of grant makers and funding intermediaries committed to working together to prevent and end homelessness in Minnesota.

• **Mission:** to maximize philanthropy’s role in preventing and ending homelessness.

• **Vision:** to make sure that every Minnesotan has safe, affordable, and stable housing. We believe that homelessness is a solvable issue and that our best decisions should be guided by the people closest to the issue. HHMFC builds community influence into its work through ongoing conversations with people with lived experiences of homelessness.

• **Origins** in a multi-sector working group created by Governor Pawlenty in 2004 to develop the state’s first “Business Plan to End Chronic Homelessness.” We became a collaborative in 2013 and moved to a membership-based model in 2017.
Our Values as a Collaborative

• **Achievable:** We believe housing is a human right and homelessness is solvable.

• **Community Designed:** We are guided by people who have experienced homelessness.

• **Equitable:** We work and act with an understanding that homelessness is connected to culture, gender, identity, race, economics, and privilege.

• **Responsive:** We act on emerging and immediate needs.

• **Influential:** We affect the field of philanthropy and prioritize homelessness work and all conditions in which homelessness occurs.
Public – Private Partnership Investments

Over the past 6 years, HHMFC has invested more than $2 million to leverage state resources and change statewide systems that impact homelessness, including the following:

• Played a key role in the creation of the Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness, the State Office to Prevent and End Homelessness, and Heading Home Minnesota: Minnesota's Framework to Prevent and End Homelessness.

• Provided capacity building support to end veterans' homelessness in Minnesota.

• Supported efforts to Improve data systems and intake processes so that Minnesotans without homes can access housing and services more effectively and efficiently.

• Funding the initial staffing costs and technical assistance services of the Homework Starts with Home initiative.
Strategic Framework For Our Work

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• Collective Ownership and Accountability
  – all members of the homeless ecosystem have a role to play in ending homelessness and ensuring transparency and inclusion when deciding homeless priorities and policies

• Grounded in Experience
  – the best solutions at every homelessness system level are closest to those who experience homelessness

• Rooted in Equity
  – homelessness systems change recognizes diverse approaches, identities, and ways that identities are privileged and/or marginalized by institutional structures and societal norms
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• Evidence based decision making
  – a process grounded in the best available research and informed by experience from the field and relevant contextual evidence

• Collaborative Readiness
  – the ability to successfully build the strongest relationships and alliances to plan, implement, and manage strategies and initiatives
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Co Chair: Kyrra Rankine, The Graves Foundation

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Thank you

Questions/Comments?

Interested in Learning More or Membership?

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