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## **Building Stronger Foundation-Nonprofit Partnerships**

**“Responsive Philanthropy” looks at effective relationships, community building, mission investing and more**



Washington, D.C. (8/29/11) – The [National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy](#) released today the [summer issue of “Responsive Philanthropy.”](#)

This issue of the quarterly journal looks at strengthening funder-grantee partnerships, collaborative community-building efforts, mission investing and foundations that have committed to utilizing high impact strategies in their grantmaking.

### **Foundation-Nonprofit Partnerships: Fact or Fiction?**

In the cover story, Jan Masaoka, editor of Blue Avocado, explores the dynamics within grantmakers and grant-seeker relationships and offers advice for building stronger, more effective partnerships.

### **The Power of ‘We’: A Journey through Collaboration**

Polk Bros. Foundation senior program officer Frank Baiocchi describes how collaborating with other grantmakers and nonprofits moved the foundation towards its goals of improving arts education in Chicago public schools.

### **Improving the Social Utility of Philanthropic Investments**

David Wood, interim director of the More for Mission Campaign Resource Center, discusses the

practice of mission-related investing. He offers answers to common questions that grantmakers have about how it can be done.

### **Why Sign On to Philanthropy's Promise?**

Grantmakers across the country are signing on to Philanthropy's Promise, NCRP's latest initiative to maximize the impact of grant dollars through targeted universalism and policy and civic engagement. NCRP highlights 13 of these foundations and shares excerpts from their public statements that showcase their commitment to this initiative.

This issue of "Responsive Philanthropy" also features the work of [Tides Foundation](#), an innovative grantmaker that strives to facilitate progressive nonprofit work.

These articles, along with articles from previous issues, are available for free on the "[Responsive Philanthropy Article Archive](#)." Hard copy subscriptions to "Responsive Philanthropy" are complimentary for NCRP members and cost \$25 for non-members.

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