

**Transforming
Philanthropy**

**Building
Collective
Power**

**for Systemic
Change**

EDGE | FUNDERS ALLIANCE
ENGAGED DONORS FOR GLOBAL EQUITY

WHO ARE WE

EDGE is a well-networked community of funders committed to radical transformation of the philanthropic sector. We are a nexus where philanthropy meets activism, a space where funders are not just supporters but active participants in the struggle for systemic change. Our community thrives on deep political conversations, mutual accountability, and a shared commitment to decolonial, non-extractive, and anti-patriarchal principles. We organize within philanthropy, pushing the boundaries and driving the sector towards a more just and equitable world.

MISSION

EDGE Funders Alliance supports the broader global movement to dismantle extractive funding systems while working to align resources with the priorities and visions of social movements to drive systemic change and justice.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

We do this by :

- **Organizing funders globally** to foster trust and collaborate with each other, so that they can disrupt the power dynamics inherent in philanthropy and create new systemic and anti-extractive funding practices.
- **Implementing spaces for learning** and **taking actions** by highlighting the voices, visions, and priorities of movement leaders and move towards the goal of systemic change

APPROACHES AND TACTICS

Work towards these goals will be guided by the following tactics and approaches:

Facilitating systemic shifts in the philanthropic sector

- Hold spaces to support collective sensemaking & develop strategies among EDGE members
- Create spaces for exchange among funders and for peer to peer learning
- Focus on concrete action and ways to implement practices working concretely towards the dismantling of extractive grantmaking practice and developing the alternatives

Centering social justice movements' vision and priorities

- Influencing funding priorities and moving resources to systemic alternatives
- Advocating for systemic change philanthropy in traditional funder spaces
- Creating meaningful relationship with movement networks to center their priorities and create bridges with the philanthropic sector

Influencing the ecosystem of philanthropy Creating and disseminating knowledge building resources on radical philanthropic practices

- Expanding membership to include different actors in philanthropy both geographically as well as different kind of institutions
- Advocating strategically across partners within the ecosystem to shift resources and change philanthropic practices