Call for Papers
For a Themed issue on Inclusive Growth

Abstracts of up to 250 words are being solicited for Vol. 12, Issue 4 of The Foundation Review. This issue is focused on how foundations support efforts creating “inclusive growth” communities. We define inclusive growth as more people sharing in the rewards of a growing economy and community. Inclusive growth communities are those that invest through philanthropy, public policy, financial decisions, and community commitments in the success of efforts like workforce training and talent development, small business success, personal access to financial resources, neighborhood development, and reducing gaps in social determinants such as health, education and housing.

Evidence suggests that collaborations across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors are the critical factor in tackling this complexity and creating community success. Philanthropy brings many billions of dollars in assets to strategies that address matters that contribute to inclusive growth, such as health inequities, access to quality education, affordable housing, and community and economic development. Philanthropy also contributes through roles such as leader, convener, influencer, and advocate.

Abstracts are due December 31, 2019. If a full paper is invited, it will be due May 29, 2020 for consideration for publication in December, 2020. Submit abstracts to submissions@foundationreview.org.

While this is not an exhaustive list, topics might address the following questions:
- What promising new programs are foundations supporting to increase entrepreneurship in the community, especially for marginalized populations?
- What role do foundations play beyond awarding grant dollars, such as advocacy, convenings, building collaborations and networks, capacity building, etc.?
- How is equity defined and addressed in philanthropic efforts to increase prosperity for more people in the community?
- How is data being used to impact regional or local efforts surrounding economic outcomes for individuals and families?
- How has philanthropy invested in economic development, what strategies are being supported, and what outcomes are being achieved?
- How is philanthropy supporting learning and evaluation around inclusive growth to ensure that grantmaking efforts are effective and generative?

Abstracts are solicited in four categories:
- **Results.** Papers in this category generally report on findings from evaluations of foundation-funded work. Papers should include a description of the theory of change (logic model, program theory), a description of the grant-making strategy, the evaluation methodology, the results, and discussion. The discussion should focus on what has been
learned both about the programmatic content and about grantmaking and other foundation roles (convening, etc.).

- **Tools.** Papers in this category should describe tools useful for foundation staff or boards. By “tool” we mean a systematic, replicable method intended for a specific purpose. For example, a protocol to assess community readiness and standardized facilitation methods would be considered tools. The actual tool should be included in the article where practical. The paper should describe the rationale for the tool, how it was developed, and available evidence of its usefulness.

- **Sector.** Papers in this category address issues that confront the philanthropic sector as whole, such as diversity, accountability, etc. These are typically empirically based; literature reviews are also considered.

- **Reflective Practice.** The reflective practice articles rely on the knowledge and experience of the authors, rather than on formal evaluation methods or designs. In these cases, it is because of their perspective about broader issues, rather than specific initiatives, that the article is valuable.

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