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Engaging funders in the quest for philanthropic excellence



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A Message from the President and Executive Director

Grantmakers in our region are providing vital support for important community services from hunger relief and disease prevention to education and community development. Members of Grantmakers Forum are expanding their approaches to community improvement to include redeveloping city blocks, increasing social capital using community indicators, assessing community needs, initiating neighborhood organizing, and promoting effective nonprofit collaborations.

Upstate New York funders are working in partnership with government, business, and nonprofit service providers to realize their shared goals. Together, they focus on creating a climate for positive change to benefit those who live and work here.

In this dynamic environment, Grantmakers Forum of New York connects funders with similar interests, keeps them informed about trends and practices in the field and helps them carry out their legal and ethical responsibilities as stewards of money in the public trust. Grantmakers Forum is here to provide a common voice for philanthropy in our region by promoting discussion of important issues and opportunities for funders and nonprofits alike with government and media. We are the connective tissue that creates a philanthropic community in our region.

George Ferrari
President

Elizabeth C. Wilder
Executive Director

Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

May 31, '09

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Operating Accounts	32,006
Grants Receivable	<u>33,500</u>
Total Current Assets	65,506
Total Fixed Assets	<u>4,600</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 70,106
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Total Current Liabilities	40,767
Total Net Assets	<u>29,339</u>
TOTAL	\$ 70,106

Income Statement

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INCOME	
Interest Income	165
Grants	61,391
Membership Dues	81,500
Programs	32,417
Sales	<u>8,365</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 183,838
OPERATING EXPENSE	
General and admin.	81,447
Programs/Services	96,454
Promotion of Phil.	<u>29,202</u>
TOTAL OP. EXPENSE	\$ 207,103
NET INCOME	(\$ 23,265)

Leadership Support

Leadership support helps to underwrite general operations and specific projects. GFNY thanks the following funders and individuals for providing leadership support in FY 2009.

Alesco Advisors LLP
Ames-Amzalak Memorial Trust
The Bonadio Group
Bulrush Foundation
Corning Incorporated Foundation
Lisa M. Dahl
Fairport Savings Bank
The Gifford Foundation
Golisano Foundation
Grantmakers for Education
Halcyon Hill Foundation
Diane Hannum
High Falls Advisors
New York Council for the Humanities
Pranger Philanthropic
Rochester Area Community Foundation
Steven O. Russell
Ralph C. Sheldon Foundation
The Peter & Elizabeth C. Tower Foundation
Triad Foundation
Troy Savings Bank Foundation
Marie C. & Joseph C. Wilson Foundation

Engaging funders through meaningful programs and services

Celebrating 20 Years of Service

Grantmakers Forum founders and members gathered in September 2008 to celebrate our 20th anniversary. Founders, early board members and past presidents were honored. Mary Ellen Burris and Beth Bruner spoke of Grantmakers Forum history and Susan Raymond, Changing Our World, challenged funders to meet the future with innovation and enthusiasm.

GFNY Programs with Partners

Members participated in timely teleconferences and webinars presented with the Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers, fellow regional associations and national affinity groups. Grantmakers Forum and Western New York Grantmakers Association members traveled to Batavia where Richard Toth, *Project Streamline* chair and Director of Proposal Management at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, spoke about this national collaborative to create grantmaker/grantseeker application standards.

Local and Regional Programs

In 2009, members participated in local discussions about their grantmaking and in regional events for family foundations and corporate funders. Grantmakers Forum inaugurated Conversations on Grantmaking, a monthly teleconference that brings members together to share new approaches to community change with their colleagues. Philanthropy in Challenging Times brought funders together to discuss the effects of our economy on their community investments.

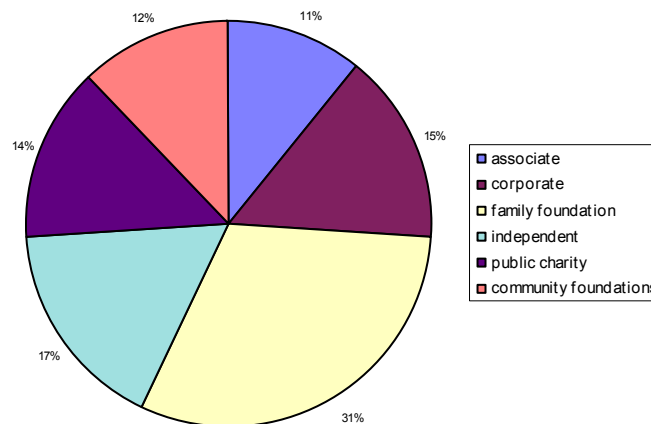
Member Services

Ninety percent of GFNY members regularly read the monthly e-newsletter. It provides a concise source of links to relevant and timely research, state and national policy updates and member news. A new members-only section on Grantmakers Forum website at www.grantmakers.org posts materials from programs and other valuable grantmaking resources. GFNY research and referral service supplies information funders use in their work.

Public Policy

During Foundations on the Hill, the New York delegation presented a Friend of Philanthropy award to Senator Charles Schumer honoring his contributions to our sector. GFNY participated in programs with Philanthropy NY and the Funders Network of the Mid-Hudson Valley, engaging in discussions with New York State commissioners. GFNY published the first of a series of research findings about grantmaking in Upstate New York, *Challenges Ahead: Upstate NY Philanthropy and The Economy*.

GFNY Member Types



In 2008, Grantmakers Forum of New York members granted \$174.2 million and held \$2.2 billion in assets.