



Much Alarm, Less Action: Foundations and Climate Change

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This document contains the survey instruments used to collect data for CEP’s *Much Alarm, Less Action: Foundations and Climate Change* report.

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Perspectives on Climate Change in Foundation Philanthropy

This survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete.

Please complete this survey by **February 18, 2022**.

Introduction

Thank you for your participation in this research study conducted by the Center for Effective Philanthropy. In this survey, we will be asking you to share your perspectives on climate change as it relates to foundation philanthropy broadly and to your foundation more specifically. We seek to capture broad perspectives and encourage all foundations to participate, regardless of whether your foundation funds efforts to address climate change.

Your responses to this survey will be kept **completely confidential**. When results of this study are shared:

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YOUR PERSPECTIVES ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate change refers to the long-term shifts in temperatures and weather patterns that have been driven by human activities since the 1800s.

1) In your view, how urgent of a problem is climate change?

- Not an urgent problem
- A somewhat urgent problem
- A very urgent problem
- An extremely urgent problem

2) Which of the following statements best describes your perspective on the importance of addressing climate change, relative to other problems?

- Climate change is **the most important problem** to address right now
- Climate change is **one of the top 3 most important problems** to address right now
- Climate change is **not one of the top 3 most important problems** to address right now
- Other (*please specify:* _____)
- None of the above

3) How much of a role do you think each of the following can play in addressing climate change?

	Cannot play a role	Can play a small role	Can play a moderate role	Can play a significant role	Not sure
Nonprofits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government (e.g., public sector)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business (e.g., private sector)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Not sure
Nonprofits are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundations are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government is currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Businesses are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5) Over the past 5 years, has your foundation board had any discussions about how climate change affects the foundation's ability to achieve its goals?

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

6) Over the past 5 years, has your foundation's leadership had discussions with grantees about the effects of climate change on their work?

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

7) In the coming decade, how much do you think the impacts of climate change will negatively affect:

	Not at all	Somewhat	A lot	Not sure
The lives of the people your foundation seeks to serve	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The geographic area(s) in which your foundation operates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The issues your foundation focuses on	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your foundation's ability to achieve its goals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8) *(Display only if "Somewhat" or "A lot" were selected for any of the first three items in the previous question.)* What do you think will be the future implications of climate change on the issues and communities your foundation focuses on?

YOUR FOUNDATION'S CLIMATE CHANGE EFFORTS

There are a variety of ways to define and categorize climate change funding efforts. Some use a narrow definition, only considering funding to climate mitigation, adaptation, or climate justice. Some use a broader definition and consider funding to other environmental issues as ultimately addressing climate change. This study explores these various approaches.

9) Does your foundation directly fund efforts to address climate change? *(Select all that apply.)*

- The foundation **funds efforts that explicitly address climate change** (e.g., climate mitigation; climate adaptation; climate justice)
- The foundation **funds environmental efforts that address climate change** (e.g., land conservation; ecosystems; agriculture & food systems; sustainable development)
- The foundation **does not fund efforts to address climate change** *(mutually exclusive)*

10) *(Display only if "The foundation does not fund efforts to address climate change." was selected in the previous question.)* Do any of the foundation's program areas incorporate efforts to address climate change? (e.g., economic development funding that creates green jobs; health funding that focuses on access to clean water; civic engagement funding to grassroots efforts addressing climate-related topics)

- No
- Yes

- 11) (Display only if “The foundation funds efforts that explicitly address climate change” or “The foundation funds environmental efforts that address climate change” was selected in question 9.) Separate from the foundation’s climate and/or environmental grantmaking, do the foundation’s other program areas incorporate any efforts to address climate change? (e.g. economic development funding that creates green jobs; health funding that focuses on access to clean water; civic engagement funding to grassroots efforts addressing climate-related topics)
- No
- Yes
- Not applicable - all of my foundation’s grantmaking is climate related
- Not sure
- 12) (Display only if “The foundation funds efforts that explicitly address climate change.” was selected in question 9.) Does your foundation fund any of the following efforts to address climate change? (Select all that apply.)
- Climate change mitigation [POP-UP definition: efforts to reduce levels of heat-trapping greenhouse gasses in the atmosphere]
- Climate change adaptation [POP-UP definition: efforts to adapt to actual or expected climate change, and its effects, in order to moderate harm]
- Climate justice [POP-UP definition: efforts focusing on the social, racial, economic and environmental justice issues of climate change]
- None of the above (mutually exclusive)
- 13) (Display only if “The foundation does not fund efforts to address climate change.” was selected in question 9.) Are any of the following reasons why your foundation does not fund efforts to address climate change? (Select all that apply.)
- Addressing climate change is not part of the foundation’s mission
- Climate change is too big of a problem relative to the foundation’s resources
- Climate change is too big of a problem relative to the foundation’s geographic areas of focus
- We do not know how to effectively address climate change
- Addressing climate change is too technical
- Addressing climate change is too political
- There’s already enough foundation funding directed to addressing climate change
- The Board of Directors has limited interest in or willingness to address climate change
- Other (please specify: _____)
- None of the above (mutually exclusive)

14) *(Display only if “The foundation does not fund efforts to address climate change.” was selected in question 9.)* Over the past five years, has the foundation ever considered funding efforts to address climate change?

- No, and we do not plan to consider funding efforts to address climate change
- No, but we are open to considering funding efforts to address climate change
- Yes, and we decided not to fund efforts to address climate change
- Yes, but we haven’t yet decided whether to fund efforts to address climate change
- Not sure

15) *(Display only if “Yes, and we decided not to fund efforts to address climate change.” was selected in the previous question.)* Please describe why the foundation decided not to fund efforts to address climate change.

16) *(Display only if “No, but we are open to considering funding efforts to address climate change.” or “Yes, but we haven’t yet decided whether to fund efforts to address climate change” was selected in question 14.)* What, if anything, would help your foundation decide whether to begin funding efforts to address climate change?

ADVICE TO OTHER FUNDERS

(Display this section only if the foundation indicated that it funds climate change efforts in question 9.)

17) What would you say to encourage non-climate funders to begin funding efforts addressing climate change?

18) What are the most important lessons you have learned from your foundation’s efforts to address climate change that you think would be helpful to others funding, or considering funding, in the climate space?

CLIMATE RELATED FINANCE AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES

In this section, we will ask about your foundation's financial investing, by which we mean your foundation's use of its financial assets to create a return that funds its operations and grantmaking.

- 19) Does your foundation prohibit investments in fossil fuels or other carbon emitters from its investment portfolio?
- No, and we do not plan to
 - No, and we are not sure whether we will in the future
 - No, but we plan to do so in the future
 - Yes
- 20) *(Display only if "Yes" was selected in the previous question.)* Overall, how have returns on your foundation's investment portfolio performed since the foundation prohibited investments in fossil fuels or other carbon emitters?
- Returns on investments have **under-performed** benchmarks that include fossil fuels
 - Returns on investments have **performed the same** as benchmarks that include fossil fuels
 - Returns on investments have **over-performed** benchmarks that include fossil fuels
 - Not Sure
- 21) Climate related impact investing is an investment in companies, organizations, and funds with the intention to generate positive environmental impact alongside a financial return. Does your foundation engage in climate related impact investing?
- No, and we do not plan to
 - No, and we are not sure whether we will in the future
 - No, but we plan to do so in the future
 - Yes
- 22) *(Display only if "Yes" was selected in the previous question.)* Typically, how do returns on your foundation's climate related impact investments compare to returns on your foundation's other traditional investments?
- Returns on climate related impact investments are **significantly lower**
 - Returns on climate related impact investments are **somewhat lower**
 - Returns on climate related impact investments are **about the same**
 - Returns on climate related impact investments are **somewhat higher**
 - Returns on climate related impact investments are **significantly higher**
 - Not Sure

23) When deciding which financial institutions the foundation will do business with, is their financing of fossil fuel and/or carbon emitters a factor in your foundation's decision-making?

- No
- Yes

24) *(Display only if "Yes" was selected in question 19 or 21.)* What advice would you share with foundations that are considering prohibiting investments in fossil fuels or other carbon emitters and/or engaging in climate related impact investing?

ABOUT YOUR FOUNDATION'S CLIMATE RELATED GRANTMAKING

(Display this section only if the foundation indicated that it funds climate change efforts in question 9.)

25) For how long has the foundation funded efforts to address climate change?

- Less than 1 year
- 1-4 years
- 5-9 years
- 10-19 years
- more than 20 years

26) *(Display only if "Less than 1 year" or "1-4 years" was selected in the previous question.)* Why did the foundation begin funding efforts to address climate change?

27) For this fiscal year, approximately what percentage of the foundation's grant dollars are currently allocated to efforts to address climate change?

- 1-9 percent
- 10-19 percent
- 20-49 percent
- 50-74 percent
- 75-99 percent
- 100 percent

28) Does the foundation plan to change the amount of funding for addressing climate change over the next 5 years?

- Yes, the foundation plans to **slightly decrease** the amount of funding for addressing climate change
- Yes, the foundation plans to **significantly decrease** the amount of funding for addressing climate change
- Yes, the foundation plans to **slightly increase** the amount of funding for addressing climate change
- Yes, the foundation plans to **significantly increase** the amount of funding for addressing climate change
- No, the foundation **does not plan to change** the amount of funding for addressing climate change
- Not sure

Your Foundation's Approach to Addressing Climate Change

29) Is collaboration with any of the following groups part of the foundation's strategy to address climate change? *(Select all that apply.)*

- Grantees
- Nonprofits
- Foundation funders
- Individual donors
- Private sector
- Government
- Other *(please specify: _____)*
- None of the above *(mutually exclusive)*

30) *(Display if "Foundation funders" or "Individual donors" was selected in the previous question.)* In which of the following ways does the foundation collaborate with other funders to address climate change? *(Select all that apply.)*

- Knowledge exchange
- Coordinated funding (e.g., investing in aligned causes and/or using complementary strategies)
- Pooled funding (e.g., co-investing)
- Coordinated advocacy
- Other *(please specify: _____)*
- None of the above *(mutually exclusive)*

The phrase “influence public policy” is used to encompass the full range of activities foundations can legally pursue in their efforts to influence government priorities, laws, and regulations at all geographic levels and branches of government.

31) Is influencing public policy part of the foundation’s strategy to address climate change?

- No
- Yes

32) *(Display only if “Yes” was selected in the previous question.)* As part of its efforts to influence climate-related public policy, does the foundation support any of the following activities, either through grantmaking or direct engagement? *(Select all that apply.)*

- Communications (e.g., narrative change; campaigns)
- Education (e.g., public awareness and engagement)
- Filing lawsuits/friend-of-the-court briefs
- Movement building
- Nonpartisan election activities (e.g., voter engagement/education)
- Organizing/grassroots engagement
- Policymaker engagement
- Research/policy analysis
- Use its voice (e.g., position papers, public statements, sign-on letters, blogging, etc.)
- Other *(please specify:_____)*
- None of the above *(mutually exclusive)*

The Geographic Scope of Your Foundation’s Climate Change Efforts

33) Please select the geographic scope of the foundation’s climate change efforts. *(Select all that apply.)*

- United States
- International (Outside of the U.S.)

34) *(Display only if “United States” was selected in the previous question.)* Within the United States, please select the geographic scope of the foundation’s climate change efforts. *(Select all that apply.)*

- Local
- State
- Multi-state or regional
- National

35) *(Display only if “International (Outside of the U.S.)” was selected two questions prior.)* In which of the following regions does your foundation support climate change efforts? *(Select all that apply.)*

- Global
- Africa
- Australia
- Asia
- Europe
- North America
- South America

Supporting Communities Disproportionately Affected by Climate Change

Some funders focus their climate related efforts on the communities most negatively impacted by climate change, including but not limited to the world’s poorest people and countries, historically disadvantaged communities, such as communities of color, people with disabilities, and immigrant communities.

36) In your foundation’s climate related funding, do you prioritize funding the communities most impacted by climate change?

- No
- Yes

37) In your foundation’s climate related funding, do you prioritize funding organizations led by the people and communities who are most impacted by climate change?

- No
- Yes

38) (Display only if “United States” was selected in question 33.) In your foundation’s climate related efforts in the United States, do you prioritize funding organizations serving any of the following communities? (Select all that apply.)

- Asian or Asian American communities
- Black or African American communities
- Children and youth
- Hispanic or Latina, Latino, or Latinx communities
- LGBTQ+ communities
- Middle Eastern or North African communities
- Native American, Native Alaskan, or Indigenous communities
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander communities
- Older adults
- People with disabilities
- People from lower-income communities
- Undocumented immigrants
- Women
- Other (please specify: _____)
- None of the above (mutually exclusive)

EFFECTIVENESS OF FOUNDATION EFFORTS TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE

(Display this section only if the foundation indicated that it funds climate change efforts in question 9.)

39) Overall, how would you rate the effectiveness of the following:

	Not at all effective	Somewhat Effective	Very Effective	Not sure
Your foundation’s strategy for addressing climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Efforts by philanthropic foundations, broadly, to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

40) To more effectively address climate change, what changes, if any, do you think climate funders should make to their grantmaking practices? Please be specific.

41) Where do you see the most opportunity for philanthropy to ensure climate change is held within tolerable limits?

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

42) Do you lead a community foundation?

- No
 Yes

43) *(Display only if "Yes" was selected in the previous question.)* When donors seek the foundation's guidance in their giving, is it an explicit organizational priority to encourage donors to fund efforts to address climate change?

- No
 Yes

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR ORGANIZATION

The following section asks demographic questions about you and your organization. This information will be used to describe the survey population in aggregate and to compare the experiences of different groups. All questions are optional.

44) What is your race or ethnicity? (Select all that apply.)

- Asian or Asian American
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latina, Latino, or Latinx
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Multiracial or Multi-ethnic
- Native American, Native Alaskan, or Indigenous
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Race or ethnicity not included above (optional, please describe _____)
- Prefer not to say (mutually exclusive)

45) Do you identify as a person of color?

- No
- Yes
- Prefer not to say

46) How do you describe yourself? (Select all that apply.)

- Woman (Cisgender or Transgender)
- Man (Cisgender or Transgender)
- Gender non-conforming
- Non-binary
- Different identity (optional, please describe _____)
- Prefer not to say (mutually exclusive)

47) Which of the following best describes the composition of your organization's board?

	No board members (0%)	1-24% of board members	25-49% of board members	50-99% of board members	All board members (100%)	Not sure
People from the LGBTQ+ community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People of color	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

48) Do you have any comments, questions, or feedback that you would like to share with CEP?

49) Would you be interested in potentially participating in a confidential interview about your perspectives on and/or efforts to address climate change with CEP staff? If so, please provide your name and email address below. Responses to all other questions will remain confidential.

Name _____

Email _____



Exploring Nonprofit Leader Perspectives on Climate Change

This survey should take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete.

Please complete this survey by **March 10, 2022**.

Introduction

Thank you for your participation in this research study conducted by the Center for Effective Philanthropy. In this survey, we will be asking you to share your perspectives on climate change. **This survey is meant for leaders of nonprofit organizations that do, as well as those that do not, focus on climate change.** We hope to hear from as many nonprofit leaders as possible.

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- 1) In your view, how urgent of a problem is climate change?
 - Not an urgent problem
 - A somewhat urgent problem
 - A very urgent problem
 - An extremely urgent problem

- 2) Which of the following statements best describes your perspective on the importance of addressing climate change, relative to other problems?
 - Climate change is **the most important problem** to address right now
 - Climate change is **one of the top 3 most important problems** to address right now
 - Climate change is **not one of the top 3 most important problems** to address right now
 - Other (*please specify:* _____)
 - None of the above

- 3) Some experts say that if climate change is not rapidly addressed, its negative impacts will exacerbate the issues that many nonprofits focus on and will threaten progress already made on these issues. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?
 - Strongly disagree
 - Disagree
 - Neither agree nor disagree
 - Agree
 - Strongly agree
 - Not sure

4) How much of a role do you think each of the following can play in addressing climate change?

	Cannot play a role	Can play a small role	Can play a moderate role	Can play a significant role	Not sure
Nonprofits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government (e.g., public sector)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business (e.g., private sector)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Not sure
Nonprofits are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Foundations are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Government is currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Businesses are currently doing enough to address climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CLIMATE CHANGE & YOUR ORGANIZATION

- 6) Please estimate how much of a negative impact climate change – namely, shifts in temperature and weather patterns – is currently having on your organization’s ability to do its work.
- Significant negative impact
 - Moderate negative impact
 - Little negative impact
 - No negative impact
 - Not sure
- 7) *(Display only if “Significant negative impact” or “Moderate negative impact” was selected in the previous question.)* Please describe the negative effects of climate change that your organization is experiencing.

YOUR ORGANIZATION’S CLIMATE CHANGE EFFORTS

There are a variety of ways to define and categorize climate change efforts. Some use a narrow definition, only considering efforts to address climate mitigation, adaptation, or climate justice. Some use a broader definition and consider working on other environmental issues as ultimately addressing climate change. This study explores these various approaches.

- 8) Is addressing climate change a core focus of your organization’s work? *(Select all that apply.)*
- No, **addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization** *(mutually exclusive)*
 - Yes, the organization **explicitly focuses on addressing climate change** (e.g., climate mitigation; climate adaptation; climate justice)
 - Yes, the organization **focuses on environmental efforts that address climate change** (e.g., land conservation; ecosystems; agriculture & food systems; sustainable development)

9) (Display only if “Yes, the organization explicitly focuses on addressing climate change” was selected in question 8.) Does your organization currently work on any of the following issues? (Select all that apply.)

- Climate change mitigation [POP-UP: efforts to reduce levels of heat-trapping greenhouse gasses in the atmosphere]
- Climate change adaptation [POP-UP: efforts to adapt to actual or expected climate change, and its effects, in order to moderate harm]
- Climate justice [POP-UP: efforts focusing on the social, racial, economic and environmental justice issues of climate change]
- None of the above (mutually exclusive)

10) (Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” was NOT selected in question 8.) Some organizations focus their climate related efforts on the communities most negatively impacted by climate change, including but not limited to the world’s poorest people and countries, historically disadvantaged communities, such as communities of color, as well as lower-income communities, people with disabilities, and immigrant communities.

In your organization’s climate work, do you prioritize supporting the communities most impacted by climate change?

- No
- Yes

*****Questions asked of nonprofit leaders whose work is not focused on climate change**
(Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” is selected in question 8)

11) (Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” is selected in question 8.) How often do you think about the impacts of climate change as it relates to the work of your organization?

- Never
- Very rarely
- Occasionally
- Frequently
- Very frequently

12) (Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” is selected in question 8.) In the coming decade, how much do you think the impacts of climate change will negatively affect:

	Not at all	Somewhat	A lot	Not sure	Not applicable
The lives of the people supported by your organization	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The geographic area(s) in which your organization operates	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The issues your organization focuses on	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Your organization’s ability to achieve its goals	<input type="checkbox"/>				

13) (Display only if “Somewhat” or “A lot” were selected for any of the first three items in the previous question.) What do you think will be the future implications of climate change on your organization and the issues and communities your nonprofit focuses on?

14) (Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” is selected in question 8.) Over the past five years, has the leadership of your organization discussed how climate change affects the issues and communities that your organization focuses on?

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

15) *(Display only if “No, addressing climate change is not a core focus of the organization” is selected in question 8.)* Some nonprofit organizations that do not focus on addressing climate change have taken actions to mitigate the effects of climate change within the context of their organization’s mission, goals, and strategy (e.g., housing-focused nonprofits that prioritize climate-resilient housing).

Over the past five years, has your organization taken any actions to address climate change in the context of your mission, goals, and strategy?

- No, and we do not plan to
- No, but we are open to it
- Yes
- Not sure

16) *(Display only if “Yes” was selected in the previous question.)* Please describe what actions your organization has taken to address climate change in the context of its mission and goals.

17) *(Display only if “No but we are open to it” was selected in question 15.)* What, if anything, would help your organization decide whether to take any actions to address climate change in the context of your mission and goals?

18) *(Display only if “No and we do not plan to” was selected in question 15.)* Please explain your response.

CLIMATE RELATED FINANCE AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES

In this section, we will ask about your organization’s financial investing, by which we mean your organization’s use of its financial assets to create a return.

19) When deciding which financial institutions your organization will do business with, is their financing of fossil fuel and/or carbon emitters a factor in your decision-making?

- No
- Yes

20) Does your organization have any of the following investments? *(Select all that apply)*

- Investments in an endowment
- Investments in fixed income, stocks, and/or equities
- None of the above
- Other *(please specify: _____)*

21) *(Display only if “None of the above” was NOT selected in the previous question.)* Does your organization prohibit investments in fossil fuels or other carbon emitters from its investment portfolio?

- No, and we do not plan to
- No, and we are not sure whether we will in the future
- No, but we plan to do so in the future
- Yes

22) *(Display only if “None of the above” was NOT selected in question 20.)* Climate related impact investing is an investment in companies, organizations, and funds with the intention to generate positive environmental impact alongside a financial return. Does your organization engage in climate related impact investing?

- No, and we do not plan to
- No, and we are not sure whether we will in the future
- No, but we plan to do so in the future
- Yes

23) *(Display only if “Yes” was selected in question 21 or 22.)* What advice would you share with organizations that are considering prohibiting investments in fossil fuels or other carbon emitters and/or engaging in climate related impact investing?

EFFECTIVENESS OF EFFORTS TO ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE *(Display only for those who select “Yes, the organization explicitly focuses on addressing climate change” or “Yes, the organization focuses on environmental efforts that address climate change” in question 8.)*

Throughout the rest of the survey, we will refer to funders who gave you one or more climate change related grants as "your climate change foundation funders."

24) Did your organization receive at least one grant from a staffed foundation in 2021 for your efforts to address climate change?

- No
- Yes

25) *(Display only if “Yes” was selected in question 24.)* Overall, how would you rate the effectiveness of your climate change foundation funders’ strategies?

- Overall, my foundation funders’ strategies to address climate change are not at all effective
- Overall, my foundation funders’ strategies to address climate change are somewhat effective
- Overall, my foundation funders’ strategies to address climate change are very effective
- The effectiveness of my foundation funders’ strategies to address climate change is highly varied
- Other *(please specify: _____)*
- Not sure

26) In your opinion, what funding strategies should funders prioritize to more effectively address climate change?

27) Where do you see the most opportunity for philanthropy to ensure climate change is held within tolerable limits?

28) (Display only if “Yes” was selected in question 24.) Overall, how well do you find that your **current climate foundation funders** understand the following?

	Little to no understanding	Some understanding	Thorough understanding	Not sure
Climate change and its negative impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The overall landscape of nonprofits working on climate change	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your organization’s strategy and goals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The challenges your organization is facing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The intersection of climate change with other issues (e.g., health, democracy, human rights, security, food systems, economic opportunity, equity)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

29) As the leader of a climate nonprofit organization, what do you want funders to know and understand about climate change?

30) (Display only if “Yes” was selected in question 24.) Reflecting on your experiences with your climate funders, what does it take to build strong funder-grantee relationships, particularly when working on climate issues?

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR ORGANIZATION

The following section asks demographic questions about you and your organization, such as your role, gender, and race and/or ethnicity. This information will be used to describe the survey population in aggregate and to compare the experiences of different groups. All questions are optional, and responses are completely confidential.

31) Would you describe your organization as a direct service nonprofit?

- No
- Yes
- Not sure

32) In what issue area(s) does your organization work? *(Select all that apply.)*

- Agriculture, fishing, and forestry
- Animals
- Arts and culture
- Community and economic development
- Climate change
- Education
- Environment
- Health
- Human rights
- Human services
- Information and communications
- International relations
- Philanthropy
- Public affairs
- Public safety
- Religion
- Science
- Social justice
- Social sciences
- Sports and recreation
- Other *(please specify: _____)*

33) How would you describe the geographical scope(s) of your organization? *(Select all that apply)*

- Local
- State
- Regional
- National
- Global

34) In which of the following geographic regions of the United States are the communities you serve located? *(Select all that apply)*

- Midwest
- Northeast
- South
- West
- Other *(please specify: _____)*

35) Does your organization primarily serve any of the following communities? *(Select all that apply)*

- Asian or Asian American communities
- Black or African American communities
- Children and youth
- Hispanic or Latina, Latino, or Latinx communities
- LGBTQ+ communities
- Middle Eastern or North African communities
- Native American, Native Alaskan, or Indigenous communities
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander communities
- Older adults
- People with disabilities
- People from lower-income communities
- Undocumented immigrants
- Women
- Other *(please specify: _____)*
- None of the above *(mutually exclusive)*

36) What is your current role at your organization?

- CEO/Executive Director or equivalent
- Finance Director or equivalent
- Development Director or equivalent
- Head of programs or equivalent
- Other (*please specify:* _____)

37) What is your race or ethnicity? (Select all that apply.)

- Asian or Asian American
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latina, Latino, or Latinx
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Multiracial or Multi-ethnic
- Native American, Native Alaskan, or Indigenous
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- White
- Race or ethnicity not included above (*optional, please describe:* _____)
- Prefer not to say (*mutually exclusive*)

38) Do you identify as a person of color?

- No
- Yes
- Prefer not to say

39) How do you describe yourself? (Select all that apply.)

- Woman (Cisgender or Transgender)
- Man (Cisgender or Transgender)
- Gender non-conforming
- Non-binary
- Different identity (*optional, please describe:* _____)
- Prefer not to say (*mutually exclusive*)

40) Which of the following best describes the composition of your organization's board?

	No board members (0%)	1-24% of board members	25-49% of board members	50-99% of board members	All board members (100%)	Not sure
People from the LGBTQ+ community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People of color	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
People with disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

41) Do you have any comments, questions, or feedback that you would like to share with CEP?
