



Grantmaking for Community Impact Project: Summary of Findings in Seven Sites

	New Mexico	North Carolina	Minnesota	Los Angeles County		
SUMMARY	Total organizations in sample	14	13	15		
	Total monetary benefits	\$2.6 billion	\$1.8 billion	\$2.3 billion	\$6.88 billion	
	Total funding for advocacy and organizing	\$16.6 million (From foundations N/A)	\$20.4 million (86% from foundations)	\$16.5 million (70% from foundations)	\$75.5 million (77% from foundations)	
	Aggregate Return (ROI)	\$157	\$89	\$138	\$91	
KEY IMPACTS	Wages and Benefits	\$500 million in minimum and living wage increases benefiting 250,000 workers	\$230 million in expanded unemployment benefits for thousands of workers	\$103 million for 300 women & minority businesses, workers in stadium construction	\$2.6 billion in minimum wage increases benefiting 600,000 workers	
	Affordable Housing	\$131 million in savings on points and fees for 43,000 homebuyers because of anti-predatory lending law	\$327 million in affordable housing spending and tax revenue generated by Housing Trust Fund	\$84 million in housing stock preserved from demolition threat, saving 600 affordable homes	Preservation and development of \$135 million in affordable housing, benefiting 410 households	
	Education	\$84 million for tiered salary structure, increasing pay for 18,400 teachers and improving retention	\$170 million additional bond money for school repairs benefiting 36,000 students	\$480 million in increased state funding for public education benefiting 822,000 students	\$299 million for new schools serving thousands of youth in East Los Angeles	
	Environmental Justice	State lowered acceptable level of uranium in ground water from 5,000 to 30 micrograms per liter	Statewide banned new or expanded lagoons and sprayfields on industrial hog farms	Increased access to light rail by low income commuters	Rule passed reducing sulfur-oxide pollution by 75% from refinery flares at nine sites	
	Civil and Human Rights	State banned police from asking non-criminals about their immigration status	State anti-bullying law passed with LGBTQ protections	State domestic violence laws strengthened to better protect victims and their children	Legal protections extended in categories of race, language and minority voting rights	
	Health	Native youth secured mental health services and new school-based health center	State regulation banned exposure to arsenic in playground equipment	Continuity of care achieved for children receiving mental health services after age 18	School cafeteria reform led to more nutritious food for all students in L.A. district	
	ENGAGEMENT	New core leaders	707	3,113	3,510	2,787
		Participated in leadership training	8,295	8,799	7,965	14,412
Communicated with policymakers		12,603	31,425	29,881	18,867	
Joined community organizations		16,935	126,242	124,473	39,804	
Attended public actions		57,341	76,490	38,937	54,826	



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	Northwest Region	Pennsylvania	Gulf/Midsouth		
SUMMARY	Total organizations in sample	20	13	20	
	Total monetary benefits	\$5 billion	\$3.2 billion	\$4.77 billion	
	Total funding for advocacy and organizing	\$33.9 million (69% from foundations)	\$26.1 million (85% from foundations)	\$41.9 million (78% from foundations)	
	Aggregate Return (ROI)	\$150	\$122	\$114	
KEY IMPACTS	Wages and Benefits	Raised the minimum wage in Montana, adding \$237 million in wages for 24,000 workers	Won increase in Pennsylvania minimum wage, adding \$1.6 billion in wages for 89,000 workers	Secured Arkansas minimum wage increase from \$5.15 to \$6.25 per hour; 127,000 workers have garnered \$209 million per year in added wages.	
	Affordable Housing	Secured \$300 million for the Washington Housing Trust Fund, which has leveraged additional housing funds at a rate of 4:1	Achieved dedicated source for Philadelphia Housing Trust Fund, adding at least \$57 million for affordable housing	Litigated for fair treatment of African American homeowners under federal/ state Road Home program and won more than \$2 billion in additional grants for low-income Louisiana homeowners to rebuild their properties after hurricanes.	
	Education	Won \$75.5 million in new funding for Oregon Head Start Pre-Kindergarten and Early Head Start for more than 3,250 children	Secured \$827 million in new state funding to close gap in public schools budget	Mississippi Adequate Education Program (MAEP), a formula to ensure an adequate education for every Mississippi child, was fully funded in 2008 by the state for the first time since its inception—an increase of \$222 million over 2007 level.	
	Environmental Justice	Convinced state and agribusinesses in Idaho to regulate toxic dairy waste that was harmful to farms and communities	Prevented several mine permits from being approved, thereby preserving ground water and streams from harm	Established Refinery Efficiency Initiative to engage fenceline communities, regulatory agencies, workers and refineries to reduce pollution and improve health and quality of life by reducing accident rates at Louisiana oil refineries.	
	Civil and Human Rights	Won passage of the Oregon Family Fairness Act, a statewide policy to create domestic partnerships for same-sex couples	Enabled protective services law for adults with disabilities who are at risk for abuse and neglect	Won an end to life without parole for non-violent offenders, saving the state of Alabama more than \$15,000 a year per inmate, or \$113 million over 25 years.	
	Health	Won creation of Washington Health Insurance Partnership to provide health care subsidies for low-income employees of small businesses	Won several decisions to protect the rights of people with HIV/AIDS and ensure better health outcomes	Prevented a major state funding cut of \$110 million to Medicaid that would have eliminated important health services for Mississippi's elderly participants and those with disabilities.	
	ENGAGEMENT	New core leaders	3,772	615	1,758
		Participated in leadership training	11,073	10,350	33,577
Communicated with policymakers		323,998	14,070	98,036	
Joined community organizations		98,619	20,081	22,755	
Attended public actions		417,194	11,098	46,582	