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Change in U.S. Presidential Administrations: A Survey for Foundation CEOs

This survey should take fewer than 10 minutes to complete.

Please complete the survey by Friday, March 10, 2017.

Introduction

Thank you for participating in this survey. Your responses will be kept **completely confidential**. When results of this survey are shared:

- All numeric rating responses will be reported in aggregate.
- If we quote part of your response to an open-ended question, we will mask any identifying information in the quote to thoroughly protect your anonymity.
- Results will be shared by the [Center for Effective Philanthropy](#) in April 2017.

Instructions

- **Please do not use the forward and back buttons on your browser's navigation bar** to move forward and back in the survey. Instead, use the directional arrows at the bottom of each screen.
- **To stop and continue the survey at a future time**, close your browser and use the survey link found in your email to resume the survey.

There has been much written about reactions of those in philanthropy and the nonprofit sector to November's U.S. Presidential election and the change in presidential administrations. To get a better sense of perspectives field-wide, the Center for Effective Philanthropy is surveying foundation CEOs about 1) how, if at all, the new presidential administration's policies and decisions are affecting their foundations' work, and 2) any changes that they are making, or plan to make, to their work as a result of the change in administrations.

1) At what type of foundation do you work?

- Independent foundation (i.e., private foundation, family foundation, etc.)
- Community foundation
- Other (please specify _____)

2) What effect do you anticipate the change in presidential administrations will have on your foundation's ability to make progress toward its programmatic goals?

- Generally positive effect
- Generally negative effect
- Mix of positive and negative effect
- No effect
- Not sure/too soon to tell

3) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation planning to change its level of provision of any of the following?

	Yes, plan to provide more	Yes, plan to provide less	No, but plan to change allocation across program areas	No plans to change provision or allocation	Not sure/ too soon to tell	Not applicable to my foundation
General operating support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Program support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emergency grants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assistance beyond the grant	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single-year grants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-year grants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Small grants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Large grants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, does your foundation have any plans to change its grantmaking budget?

- Yes, the foundation's grantmaking budget will increase.
- Yes, the foundation's grantmaking budget will decrease.
- No, the foundation's grantmaking budget will not change, but its allocation across program areas will.
- No, neither the foundation's grantmaking budget nor its allocation across program areas will change.
- Not sure/too soon to tell

5a) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation modifying, or planning to modify, any of its programmatic goals?

- Yes, the foundation is modifying, or planning to modify, all of its programmatic goals.
- Yes, the foundation is modifying, or planning to modify, some of its programmatic goals.
- No, the foundation is not modifying, or planning to modify, any of its programmatic goals.
- Not sure/too soon to tell

5b) How is the foundation modifying, or planning to modify, its programmatic goals? *(Only shown to those who select a "Yes" option in 5a.)*

6a) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation modifying, or planning to modify, any of its programmatic strategies?

- Yes, the foundation is modifying, or planning to modify, all of its programmatic strategies.
- Yes, the foundation is modifying, or planning to modify, some of its programmatic strategies.
- No, the foundation is not modifying, or planning to modify, any of its programmatic strategies.
- Not sure/too soon to tell

6b) How is the foundation modifying, or planning to modify, its programmatic strategies? *(Only shown to those who select a "Yes" option in 6a.)*

7) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation modifying, or planning to modify, its investment policies/endowment management?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure/too soon to tell

8) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation modifying, or planning to modify, its fundraising approach (*only shown for community foundations*)?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure/too soon to tell

9) As a result of the change in presidential administrations, is your foundation planning to change its emphasis on any of the following?

	Plan to increase emphasis	Plan to decrease emphasis	Do not plan to change emphasis	Not sure/too soon to tell	Not applicable to my foundation
Collaborating with other funders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Collaborating with business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Collaborating with government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Convening grantees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Direct service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Movement building	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advocacy/public policy at the local level	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advocacy/public policy at the state level	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advocacy/public policy at the national level	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seeking input from the foundation's grantees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seeking input from the foundation's ultimate beneficiaries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donor outreach (<i>for community foundations only</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Donor events/education (<i>for community foundations only</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10) What opportunities, if any, do you think the change in presidential administrations presents for your foundation's ability to make progress toward its goals?

11) What challenges, if any, do you think the change in presidential administrations will present for your foundation's ability to make progress toward its goals?

12) Are there any other changes that your foundation is making as a result of the change in presidential administrations that we did not ask about in this survey? If so, what are they?

13) Is there anything we did not ask about in this survey that you would like to share on the topic of foundations and the change in presidential administrations?
