MISSION

FCAA informs, connects, and supports philanthropy to mobilize resources to end the global HIV pandemic and build the social, political and economic commitments necessary to attain health, human rights, and justice for all.

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Dear Colleagues,

In the face of global uncertainty and myriad challenges, the unwavering commitment to dismantling complex barriers in the fight against HIV and AIDS remains our guiding light.

Let’s be very clear: The fight against HIV isn’t just about a virus, but about barriers of injustice; intersecting societal afflictions of racism, sexism, transphobia, homophobia; and the rising tides of authoritarianism that threaten the very fabric of democracy and justice. It’s about people.

As you review FCAA’s 2023 annual report, I hope you’ll see what we can achieve when we work together as a philanthropic movement. The report not only documents our achievements and financial stewardship but also encapsulates the shared spirit of our members—resilient, diverse, and ever-committed to improving the lives, rights, and wellness of the people and places most impacted by HIV.

Your engagement in the global HIV response, irrespective of the role you see for yourself in this narrative, is invaluable. Whether you’re a long-time HIV donor or a grantmaker focused on SRHR, gender equality, LGBTQ+ rights, democracy, human rights, housing, or health, your funding and advocacy is critical. By uniting our efforts, we forge a path towards success, magnified by collective action and a shared vision for a world free from AIDS.

THANK YOU for your dedication to our communities and the many issues our communities are confronting in the global HIV response. Even if you’re just getting to know today’s FCAA, know this—your grantmaking, your convening, and your membership is critical to achieving our shared goals and creating a better world for those impacted by HIV.

With determination and gratitude,

Masen Davis,
FCAA Executive Director
In 2023 FCAA leaned into building community, deepening connections, and creating understanding of the intersections and within the philanthropic response to HIV. As a microcosm of the HIV response, our end goal is to fight for and build the long-term sustainability of both the global HIV response, and our organization.

Often, this meant reaching outside of FCAA’s own networks to spotlight the ways in which anti-gender and anti-rights movements, as one example, unjustly targets communities impacted by HIV around the world. This work also included publishing our 20th edition of the FCAA resource tracking report—*Philanthropic Support to Address HIV and AIDS*—and microsite to illuminate how and where the philanthropic response was reaching the people and places most impacted by HIV.

Other times, this meant creating conversations in the media to remind broader philanthropy why HIV is still an issue, and why and how, for example, the reauthorization of the U.S. President’s Program for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) affects issues and communities in a wide range of grantmaking portfolios. It also meant ensuring a place for new leadership and expertise, including that of community-led intermediary funding organizations, among our membership and Board.

In the following pages you will find a highlight of key programs and outreach that took place in 2023, as well as key metrics on how those efforts track against our current strategic plan.

On page 11, you can find a list of our 2023 membership organizations that made this work possible.
The FCAA Advocacy Forum

105 stakeholders came together in-person and online for the FCAA Advocacy Forum: Rising Threats, Urgent Action—HIV Funding Amidst A Shifting Policy Landscape. We came together with shared concerns over the many attacks on human rights and HIV funding—from HIV prevention funding in Tennessee to the Ugandan Parliament’s passage of a severe anti-homosexuality bill—and our conversations uncovered a resounding message about the strength of community. We saw connections develop between our panelists, and many highlighted that these attacks bring together advocacy communities across HIV, trans and LGBTQ rights, and reproductive justice in an understanding that “all of this work is all of our work together.”

2023 HIGHLIGHTS


“In 2021, FCAA and Aidsfonds partnered to launch a new donor working group to highlight critical programming and resourcing needs in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. After the invasion of Ukraine, this working group quickly pivoted to address the crisis and its impact on HIV-affected key populations. In the first five weeks of the conflict, private donors pledged $1.5 billion in humanitarian response. Being connected to other funders through FCAA makes fast-acting and critical responses like this possible.”

—Mark Vermeulen, Executive Director, Aidsfonds and Vice Chair, FCAA Board of Directors

In 2023, this work included seven meetings, including a convening held during the Fast Track Cities conference in Amsterdam. Meeting conversations focused on such topics as coordination and intersections with humanitarian donors in Ukraine, PrEP funding gaps, the increasing need for mental health services, and the impact of rising authoritarianism on key populations in the region.

Eastern Europe and Central Asia Working Group

In partnership with Aidsfonds, FCAA facilitated a working group of 20 donor organizations focused on supporting the HIV response in Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) — one of the only regions in the world where HIV rates and deaths continue to rise. The Working Group has been convening donors since 2021 to provide situational analysis in the region; link and coordinate donors, international organizations, and regional/national NGOs; and align and grow funding for impact, particularly to community-based organizations.
FCAA on the Global Stage

FCAA staff presented at donor and member events in six countries in 2023, including at Funding Forward, Pan-Africa ILGA, the Fast Track Cities Conference, and the European AIDS Conference. In June, FCAA Executive Director Masen Davis addressed donor governments at the 52nd UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board as a panelist at the Thematic Session on Key Populations Needs.

“We need to think and fund intersectionally. In this shifting landscape, we need to engage human rights and healthcare funders and help them recognize their pivotal role in the fight against HIV and AIDS. Simultaneously, it’s crucial for HIV donors to understand that without investments in human rights and health care for key populations, including trans individuals, we will not fully eradicate the epidemic. We can’t separate community health from the human rights of key populations.”

—Masen Davis, 52nd PCB meeting.

Connecting the Dots between HIV and Rising Authoritarianism

FCAA convened a series of webinars in 2023 to help donors understand and counter the increased politization and criminalization of communities most impacted by HIV around the world. This included a conversation on responding to anti-LGBTQI policies, moral panic, and “Family Protection Bills” in Africa and the U.S., as well as a concrete conversation about the role of rapid response and emergency grantmaking in emerging crises. In total, 182 HIV, LGBTQI, and human rights donors attended this series of online conversations.

“FCAA programming brings a critical intersectional lens to HIV and AIDS issues. GATE was invited to a session that helped connect issues of anti-gender and anti-abortion movements to their impact on HIV. FCAA offering engagement opportunities like this make it possible for me to raise awareness of trans-specific issues, and their intersection with the HIV movement across philanthropic networks.”

—Erika Castellanos, Executive Director, GATE
Celebrating 20 Years of Resource Tracking

FCAA’s annual resource tracking report has served as a beacon to illuminate the landscape of HIV-related philanthropy, with the goal to create data-based evidence that will help funders align available resources with critical needs and increase the long-term sustainability of the HIV response. In 2023, we launched the 20th edition of FCAA’s annual resource tracking report—Philanthropic Support to Address HIV and AIDS—featuring 5,640 HIV-related grants, disbursed by 187 funders, to roughly 2,800 grantee organizations around the world. We also created a new online resource tracking microsite to improve access to and readability of this critical data.

“This annual analysis is our best way of understanding trends in donor commitments and it’s a critical guide to funders seeking to understand opportunities to make real change in the HIV response.”

—Chris Collins, President and CEO, Friends of the Global Fight & one of the early authors of FCAA’s resource tracking report

In 2023, FCAA also organized conversations around:

—The Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. Initiative (EHE)
—Global and US Domestic HIV Funding
—Harm Reduction
—Advancing an HIV Cure
—HIV Decriminalization
In FCAA’s 2021-2025 strategic plan, our Theory of Change tracks how our key strategies to inform, connect, and support philanthropy will lead to the change we want to see. In the following pages read how this work moved us closer to these goals in 2023.

### INFORM

FCAA tracks, interprets, and shares information about funding, policies, and programs.

#### INTENDED OUTCOMES

Funders will be informed with evidence, analyses and grantmaking strategies.

#### IN 2023, FCAA:

- Published the 20th edition of its signature annual resource tracking report analyzing data on closer to 6,000 grants from 187 funders.
- Launched a new resource tracking report microsite.
- Assessed and elevated HIV-related philanthropy to six jurisdictions in the Ending the HIV Epidemic in the U.S. Initiative (EHE).
- Issued call for 2022 grantmaking data for the 21st edition of the resource tracking report.

#### WHAT WE ACHIEVED:

- Increased the amount and level of analyzed data available in FCAA’s latest resource tracking report, with a focus on providing equitable data across all global regions.
- Matched the EHE data series with a narrative series, written by journalist Stephen Hicks, to better tell the story and voices behind the data.
- Reinforced grantmaking recommendations and strategies shared during FCAA convenings via regular webinar recap blogs or recordings.

### CONNECT

FCAA connects and convenes leaders in HIV-related philanthropy.

#### INTENDED OUTCOMES

Funders will be connected and aligned through regular convenings and collaborations.

#### IN 2023, FCAA:

- Convened eight virtual events and three in-person events.
- Brought together 20 donor organizations of the Eastern Europe and Central Asia Working Group for seven virtual or in-person meetings.
- Built connections between HIV and LGBTQ, feminist, SRHR, and human rights donors through meetings, workshops, and presentations at a range of conferences including Funding Forward, Pan-Africa ILGA, the Fast Track Cities Conference, and the European AIDS Conference.
- Met with funders and stakeholders at 9 public events, building relationships with key HIV, human rights, LGBTQI, sexual health and reproductive rights, and multilateral partners.
- Underwent board recruitment process to continue to strengthen board capacity and representation.

#### WHAT WE ACHIEVED:

- Hosted 611 program participants, an increase of 53% from 2022.
- Developed stronger connections between FCAA, LGBTQI, and sexual and reproductive health and rights funding communities.
- Added three new members to the board in November.
SUPPORT
FCAA will support the visibility and influence of HIV-related funders.

INTENDED OUTCOMES
Funders will be visible and influential in translating commitment and experience into action.

IN 2023, FCAA:
- Collaborated with amfAR on an infographic to illustrate the risks of currently proposed cuts to U.S. domestic HIV funding.
- Underwent a “changing the narrative” communications research project to develop new strategies to guide FCAA communications and programming.
- Met with at least 42 philanthropic donors, 15 donor networks, and 9 multilaterals/government funders to build urgency and support for HIV-related philanthropy.

WHAT WE ACHIEVED:
- Translated FCAA research to meet the moment of current perilous HIV funding environment.
- Developed new messaging and outreach strategies focused on building connections to both HIV-related and intersectional funding communities.
- Built space for intermediary funder leadership in the sector, resulting in six new intermediary organizations joining FCAA as members.
- At the invitation of UNAIDS, FCAA Executive Director Masen Davis addressed donor governments at the 52nd UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board as a panelist at the Thematic Session on Key Populations Needs.
- Secured placement of interviews and op-eds with Inside Philanthropy, Chronicle of Philanthropy, and Alliance Magazine, reaching an estimated audience of 415,000.
As a microcosm of the HIV response, FCAA will work to ensure the organization’s capacity to carry out its mission. Below is a brief highlight of our financial data. Please note, this data is based on internal statements. FCAA will release audited financial statements for 2023 in the Fall of 2024.
OUR MEMBERS

FCAA members are philanthropic organizations that make annual financial contributions to support our work. They represent a diverse range of funding institutions that collectively are responsible for roughly 50% of global HIV-related philanthropy per year.

Learn more about our membership:
— Grew by 15% to 53 institutional members, including 8 new/reinstated members
— Is located in 6 countries
— Fund at the intersection of HIV and
  • Human rights
  • Health
  • Harm Reduction
  • Reproductive health and justice
  • Sex work
  • LGBTQI Issues

FCAA’s membership growth in 2023 was driven predominately by intermediary organizations that focus on HIV in the U.S. South, transgender communities, equality and advocacy for LGBTQ communities, health access to underserved populations in the EECA region, and U=U. Those organizations are bolded in the member list.

AFEW International
AIDS Foundation Chicago
AIDS Funding Collaborative
AIDS United
Aidsfonds
American Jewish World Service
amfAR
Anonymous donor
Arcus Foundation
Avert
Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS
California Wellness Foundation
Campbell Foundation
Charlize Theron Africa Outreach Project
Children’s Investment Fund Foundation
CNP
Community Education Group
Conrad N. Hilton Foundation
Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation
Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation
Elton John AIDS Foundation
Emory COMPASS Coordinating Center
Equality Federation
Firelight Foundation
Fondation de France
Frontline AIDS
GATE
Gilead Sciences
Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis
International Trans Fund
Ittleson Foundation
KFF
Levi Strauss Foundation
Merck ( MSD)
MPact: Global Action for Health & Rights
Prevention Access Campaign
Proteus Fund
Red Umbrella Fund
San Francisco AIDS Foundation
Sentebale
Sidaction
Southern AIDS Coalition
Stephen Lewis Foundation
TCC Group
The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation
Third Wave Fund
Transgender Strategy Center
UHAI-EASHRI
Until There’s A Cure Foundation
ViiV Healthcare
Washington AIDS Partnership

*Bold = new for 2023
As a connected and coordinated community of funders, we can be a stronger voice for a comprehensive investment for the people and places most impacted by HIV and AIDS. Collectively, we better understand where the money is going, how it is changing, and where the need may be the greatest. By sharing information and advocating for a stronger, collective response, we can better influence our own individual institutions, donor governments, and the philanthropic field.

It is crucial to continue building and investing in donor networks across these sectors and to develop a coordinated response for people and communities that continue to be marginalized by government and society and that are disproportionately impacted by HIV — including Black women, gay and bisexual men, transgender women, sex workers, and people who use drugs in the U.S. South and Global South.

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