



Inland Empire Funders Alliance Membership Policy

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The mission of the Inland Empire Funders Alliance is to advance equity, advocacy, and systemic change in the Inland Empire by uplifting the region's assets and opportunities, and by leveraging resources for impact.

Eligibility Criteria – Who can become a member?

Current FA Criteria: Funders Alliance membership is intended to include high level administrators (CEO, ED, etc.) or key regional representatives who possess decision making authority (subject to approval of their governing body) and whose primary, if not sole activity, involves the provision of substantial funding (\$100,000+ annually) for services provided by community based and/or public agencies in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties.

Criteria:

- Institutional membership in the Funders Alliance is open to organizations whose primary, if not sole activity, involves the provision of substantial funding (\$25,000+ annually in grants, program investment, or volunteer hours) to community based and/or public agencies in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties. Investments may be construed to include:
 - Grant dollars to nonprofit organizations in San Bernardino and Riverside Counties.
 - Employees' board service and pro-bono skill-based volunteering.
 - In-kind or pro-bono business services provided to nonprofits.
- Member organizations must designate a primary representative to the Funders Alliance. This must be a high-level administrator (e.g. CEO, VP, etc.) or a key regional program officer of the funding institution/department who possesses decision making authority regarding funding activities in the region (subject to approval of their governing body).
 - The representative is highly encouraged to attend bimonthly member meetings and serve on an Action Team or committee, but this is not a requirement to be a member in good standing.
- The primary representative may designate colleagues from their institution to participate on specific Funders Alliance projects or Action Teams. This is intended to provide professional and leadership development opportunities for rising



philanthropic professionals. Grantmaking staff, advisors, consultants, or board members may be included in this way.

Dues Structure:

All members must pay dues on a sliding scale based on their self-reported contributions in the region as defined above. Membership payments will be due beginning July 1, and can be made in up to four payments over the fiscal year ending June 30.

Total Prior Year Contribution	Annual Membership Fee
\$25,000 – \$100,000	\$1,000
\$100,001 - \$999,999	\$2,500
Over \$1,000,000	\$5,000

In addition to their dues, IEFA members will have the opportunity throughout the year to participate in collaborative funding projects and to sponsor specific Funders Alliance initiatives. Sponsorships and grants designated for specific events or activities will not count toward members’ annual dues requirements. Appropriate recognition will be given for all membership, sponsorship, and collaborative funding contributions.