











## Donor Advised Funds

What They Are and How Impact Investors Use Them to Amplify Social Impact





### AGENDA

- Introductions Colleen
- Overview of a Donor Advised Fund (DAF) Julie
- SVP Member DAF Overview Andy
- SVP Overview / Intro to SIIG / Intro to WLP Andy
- Overview of WorkLife Partnership and why they sought out DAF investment - Liddy
- Q&A Colleen





## Introducing our Speakers









Julie Davitz Head of Impact Solutions Bank of the West



Colleen Kazemi **Executive Director SVP** Denver



Andrew Marshall **Board Member and** SIIG Co-Chair **SVP** Denver

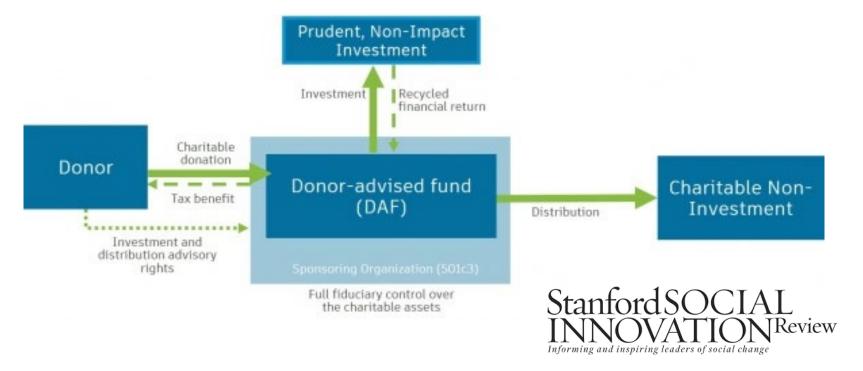


Liddy Romero **Executive Director** WorkLife Partnership





## What is a Donor Advised Fund (DAF)?

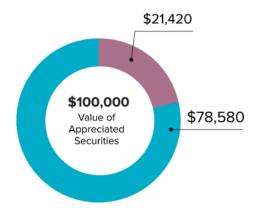




## Tax Benefits of a DAF

#### DONOR SELLS SECURITIES AND DONATES AFTER-TAX PROCEEDS TO CHARITY

Pays Capital Gains Tax: \$21,420 Net Available to Charity: \$78,580



# DONOR CONTRIBUTES APPRECIATED SECURITIES DIRECTLY TO CHARITY

Capital Gains Tax: \$0
Net Available to Charity: \$100,000





**SOURCE:** https://www.nptrust.org/what-is-a-donor-advised-fund/daf-tax-consideration



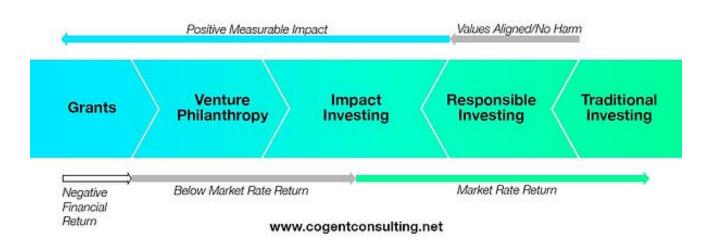
## Investing Spectrum

### **Philanthropic Activities**

Program Related Investments

#### **Investment Activites**

Mission Related Investments





## Considerations for a DAF Sponsor

- Donor ability to advise impact investments. Does the sponsoring organization allow its donors to bring forward impact investing opportunities?
- Availability and quantity of impact investing options. Does the sponsoring organization
  provide pre-vetted impact investing options to its donors? Do these options align with
  your short-term and long-term charitable goals?
- Extensiveness of impact investing options across asset classes. What does the sponsor offer today and what can you expect to see in the future?
- Ability to recommend additional managers. Does the sponsoring organization allow you to recommend additional fund managers? Is there a minimum fund size, and if so, how significant is it?











## DAFs Today

- 86% increase contributions to DAFs over the last five years
  - \$23.4B granted
  - \$37.2B contributed
  - \$121.4B in assets
  - Payout from community foundations decreased \$16.6B from \$20B
- 728,000 DAFs, 80,000 foundations
  - 2019 foundation assets topped \$1T
  - \$54B granted
- Tax Cuts & Jobs Act 2017 effect
  - Contributions to DAFs rose more than 20%



### Donor Advised Fund Trends

- Employee-sponsored DAFs
- Online tools, apps, transactions, credit card processing
- Increased accessibility with lower minimums
- Increased impulse donations
- #HalfMyDAF campaign David Risher
- Program-Related Investments (PRI) / Mission-Related Investments (MRI)





## SVP Denver

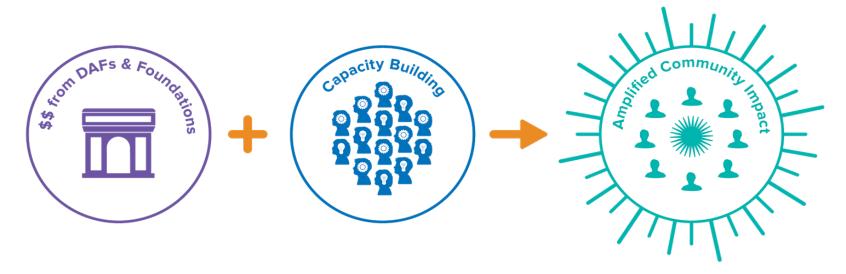
A community of engaged philanthropists at the epicenter of nonprofits, individuals, foundations, and businesses who want to give back to the Greater Denver Community.







## Social Impact Investor Group (SIIG)



Interested in Funding?

Learn more >> www.svpdenver.org/siig





## Engaged Philanthropy Membership Model



## Nonprofit Capacity Building

Matching engaged philanthropists with deep experience in a variety of specialized skill sets to projects with nonprofits that need support to increase impact.

Strategic Planning, Legal, Board Governance, Finance/Accounting, HR, Marketing/Branding, Fundraising, Evaluation, Mergers and Acquisitions



#### **Social Impact Investing**

COVID-19 response lending: Co-created \$5.4M+ Left Behind Workers Fund, dedicating \$100k+ in Human Capital and making \$1000 grants to 1000's of people across Colorado.

Quarterly meetings to distribute funds to social impact ventures and nonprofits; provides opportunity to leverage DAF dollars & provide funding to underserved populations



#### **Education & Leadership**

Since 2010, offered **dozens of educational seminars** for SVP Denver partner-members.

In 2019, launched **year-long Service Leadership** program with 10 nonprofit executives.

Thought Leadership and Education around Social Impact Investing and Nonprofit Impact

Measurement







## DAF Holder Example

- Our DAF is administered through The Denver Foundation
- Family Participation
  - My three children, wife and I are all advisors on the DAF
  - Each child has an annual budget and the responsibility to donate/invest funds
- Grants
  - Annual contributions to organizations that we passionately support.
  - Colorado Donor Fund (Innovative Pay for Performance Model)
- Impact Investments
  - Funded through SVP SIIG. For example,
    - Hands of the Carpenter (loan for real estate purchase)
    - Achroma (equity stake as angel investor)
    - WorkLife Partnership (loan to fund small dollar loan program)



# WorkLife believes prosperity is possible for everyone through work.



- We aim to help frontline workers overcome those challenges which threaten their ability to maintain work.
- We are a national organization.
- Our Small Dollar Emergency Loan program is a pilot in Colorado and a tool we use to help frontline, lower wage workers when they encounter an unexpected expense or experience a budget shortfall.





## We saw a need in 2018

- Money is a more frequent concern than work, family, or health issues.
- Incessant worry about money is associated with poorer health, lower levels of happiness and increased social isolation.
- Financial woes have been negatively associated with cognitive function and the ability to make good decisions.
- Studies consistently demonstrate that as people become distracted by financial concerns their work performance falters putting their financial situation at further risk.

SOURCE: The Cost of Financial Precarity, Stanford Social Innovation Review, Spring 2019







### How it works on our end

- Three different investors (Kenneth King Foundation, The Denver Foundation, SVP Denver SIIG)
- All 3%
- All 24 months payback
- A separate account where loans get written
- Devoted staff member





## Unique to Colorado, EMPLOYERS PAY

- Employers invest a small fee (\$9000) to provide access to the loan product to employees
- Employees are eligible to borrow after 12 months of employment
- Loans between \$400-\$1000 to cover an emergency, unaffordable expense
- Repayment in 12 months via payroll deduction
- We charge 18% interest rate per proven success
- Wrap around support from WorkLife Resource Navigator
- Optional access to financial coaching
- Simple online applications





## Making a difference without defaults!

- 91 loans
- \$88K
- 1 default- contracted COVID
- Decrease financial stress
- Improve credit score (later)





## Took time, even with proven success

- Tried and failed in 2017 with partnership with a credit union (per partnership backing by Filene Research Institute)
- Back at drawing table what worked, where, and why? How could we make this sustainable?
  - 9-month Research & Design effort
  - Found a partnership in the Community Loan Center through our mutual funder, Annie
     E Casey and had to negotiate terms to white label the product- took about a year
  - Used funder as leverage between us- helped push with board
- Had to think about run-way needed to get off and running- USED A GRANT
- LAUNCH was biggest inflection point





# COVID-19 worsens financial precarity with a renewed focus on getting back to work

Families already teetering on the brink of financial precarity have toppled in the face of reduced hours, furloughs, and lay offs.

- Housing expenses
- Childcare needs
- Technology
- Utility Assistance
- All with a financial undercurrent







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