



## Alameda County - Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP)

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**Vision Statement:** To End Poverty Within the City of Oakland and Throughout Alameda County

**Core Values:** Community-Driven | Equitable | Collaborative | Impactful | Results-Driven

**Our Promise:** Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes Oakland and Alameda County a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

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### Fund Development Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 23, 2025, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

City of Oakland - City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland, CA 94612, Hearing Room 3

The Public May **Observe** This Meeting Remotely by:

#### Webinar Registration Link:

[https://oaklandca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_YS\\_FoxwWTuib\\_3MvVp5CyA](https://oaklandca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YS_FoxwWTuib_3MvVp5CyA)

**Webinar ID:** 822 9577 0120

To make public comments, community members must do so in person at the published location or submit written comments via email to [AC-OCAP@oaklandca.gov](mailto:AC-OCAP@oaklandca.gov). Remote participation is not available.

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**Fund Development Committee:** Rana Matly, Mitchell Margolis, and Michelle Edmond

**Staff:** Interim Director Sofia Navarro and Thea On

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## AGENDA

- A. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Quorum for the Fund Development Committee Meeting, and Approval of the October 23, 2025, Agenda.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- B. Public Comment: (Specify Agenda Item(s): Audience Comment Period)

- C. Discussion:

1. List of Strong Foundation Prospects for AC–OCAP – **Attachment C1**
2. Fund Development Committee meeting on 11/27 and 12/25 - Move up one week or cancel.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- D. Open Forum: (General Audience Comment Period)

- E. Adjournment

- a. The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for **November 27, 2025 (TBD)**

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Here are **strong foundation prospects** for **Alameda County – Oakland Community Action Partnership (AC-OCAP)** to solicit funding for poverty alleviation efforts. These funders align with AC-OCAP's mission around **economic mobility, racial equity, community development, and systems change**:

## 1. Bill Gates Foundation

Email enquiry sent

[www.gatesfoundation.org](http://www.gatesfoundation.org)

**Focus:** Economic mobility, education, financial inclusion, racial equity

**Why it's a fit:**

- Committed to **reducing poverty and systemic inequality**
- Focuses on **place-based strategies** and scalable models for economic opportunity
- Actively funds U.S. initiatives promoting **economic mobility and racial equity**, particularly in urban communities
- Seeks partnerships with organizations driving **data-informed, community-driven solutions**

## 2. The James Irvine Foundation

Email enquiry sent

[www.irvine.org](http://www.irvine.org)

**Focus:** Economic mobility for low-income Californians

**Why it's a fit:**

- Prioritizes **equitable workforce development, civic leadership, and housing affordability**
- Exclusive to California, with a focus on systems change and place-based efforts
- Supports public-nonprofit partnerships and community engagement

### 3. The Walter & Elise Haas Fund

[www.haassr.org](http://www.haassr.org)

**Focus:** Economic security, education, arts

**Why it's a fit:**

- Serves **Bay Area nonprofits** with a focus on **dignity and opportunity**
- Funds **job access, asset building, and family resilience** initiatives
- Supports multi-generational, community-rooted solutions

### 4. The San Francisco Foundation

Not accepting requests at the moment - Monique the main contact

[www.sff.org](http://www.sff.org)

**Focus:** Racial and economic equity in the Bay Area

**Why it's a fit:**

- Deeply invested in **Oakland and Alameda County**
- Funds initiatives supporting **housing, economic inclusion, and community leadership**
- Champions **grassroots power-building** and equitable recovery

### 5. Chan Zuckerberg Initiative (CZI)

Email enquiry sent

[www.chanzuckerberg.com](http://www.chanzuckerberg.com)

**Focus:** Housing, education, economic justice, health

**Why it's a fit:**

- Invests in **Bay Area communities**, with an emphasis on racial equity and economic mobility
- Supports organizations with strong **community partnerships and data-based approaches**
- Prioritizes **systemic solutions** that can scale

## 6. Wells Fargo Foundation

Application submission cycle closed and open again in February 2026

[www.wellsfargo.com/about/corporate-responsibility/community-giving](http://www.wellsfargo.com/about/corporate-responsibility/community-giving)

**Focus:** Financial health, small business, housing affordability

**Why it's a fit:**

- Funds efforts to **increase economic mobility and financial inclusion**
- Interested in **workforce development, homeownership, and neighborhood revitalization**
- Active funder in **California urban communities**, including Oakland

## 7. Y & H Soda Foundation

The process entails to contact them and if selected the program staff invite us to submit a grant application.

[www.yhsodafoundation.org](http://www.yhsodafoundation.org)

**Focus:** Economic and social mobility in Alameda and Contra Costa counties

**Why it's a fit:**

- Exclusively focused on AC-OCAP's service area
- Funds **immigrant inclusion, economic empowerment, and nonprofit capacity-building**
- Values **collaboration and grassroots engagement**

## 8. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Email enquiry sent

[www.rwjf.org](http://www.rwjf.org)

**Focus:** Health equity, social determinants of health, economic stability

### Why it's a fit:

- Supports programs linking **health, housing, income, and community stability**
- Interested in **systemic approaches to poverty reduction**
- Funds both **direct service and policy/advocacy** work

## 9. Blue Shield of California Foundation

Email enquiry sent

[www.blueshieldcafoundation.org](http://www.blueshieldcafoundation.org)

**Focus:** Health equity, domestic violence prevention, economic security

### Why it's a fit:

- Prioritizes **California-based, community-led solutions**
- Interested in **multi-sector coordination**, especially in underserved regions

- Emphasizes **inclusive systems change** and **preventative approaches to poverty**

## 10. MacKenzie Scott / Yield Giving

**By invitation only**

[www.yieldgiving.com](http://www.yieldgiving.com)

**Focus:** Unrestricted grants to high-impact, equity-focused nonprofits

**Why it's a fit:**

- Has donated over **\$17 billion** to nonprofits tackling **poverty, racial justice, health equity, and education**
- Prioritizes **community-based organizations** that are **underfunded but high-performing**
- Emphasizes **trust-based philanthropy**, offering large, **unrestricted grants** without burdensome applications
- Known for funding organizations serving **communities of color and women-led households**—directly aligned with AC-OCAP's focus

**Note:** MacKenzie Scott does not accept unsolicited proposals, but her team conducts research and reaches out directly to selected nonprofits. However, ensuring AC-OCAP's **public visibility, impact data**, and **community voice** are well-communicated (e.g., through media, annual reports, and partners) **increases the chances of being identified**.

**Iconic impact**

**Email enquiry sent**

[iconiqcapital.com/impact](http://iconiqcapital.com/impact)

**Pivotal ventures** - Melinda gates

**Applications closed in January 2025**

<https://www.pivotalventures.org/about>

**Emerson Collective** - Lauren Powell Jobs

<https://www.emersoncollective.com/>

Email enquiry sent

**Lever for Change**

<https://leverforchange.org/>

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