

Major Themes

Excitement	Anxiety, Unresolved Concerns (** indicates address first)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy/advocacy openings (SFPA, D&P, TIF, CBMA, B'more, NSI, CJF) • "Changing the game"; ramp up our work (D&P, CBMA, SOF) • Building capacity/increasing participating & leadership in "poc" communities (D&P, CBMA, SOF, CJF) • C-funding/partnerships (TIF/CJF, B'more/TIF, B'more/CJF, NSI/D&P, SOF/TIF) • Leveraging resources, building local philanthropic capacity (SFPA, D&P, CBMA, B'more) • Regionalism (CBMA, NSI) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workload (TIF, D&P), EOF ** Do no harm; don't want to badly stir things up on the ground ("funding civil war") (CBMA, SFPA, SOF); includes how do we work together on the ground (CBMA, B'more) • OSI bureaucracy; Board process; USP timing & sequencing • Experimentation: e.g., will NOCOG, TX table work? (TIF, D&P) ** Measuring impact; how do we know what works? (CBMA) ** Blending direct service & advocacy smoothly and strategically (SFPA, CBMA) ** Making transition from national to local/state groupd (NSI) • Future relationship of national staff with future in state staff (CJF) ** State selection and how funds move into other states (CJF)

Detailed Notes

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<p>SFPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MI provides great example of setting the challenge and catalyzing response; offers new lens to do that in other places 	<p>SFPA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to catalyze broader frame in other places without distracting ongoing work
<p>D&P</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC has robust philanthropic community; hoping to build social justice ecosystem more broadly • TX social justice philanthropic community weak • In both states, hope (and challenge is) to build out social justice ecosystem that is missing • States have implications for US as a whole: fastest/largest population growth, increase in immigrant 	<p>D&P</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How this gets staffed out • Consultancy process • Concerns re: OSI nimbleness • Need to build Board support upfront and ongoing

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<p>population,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunities to work with other funders • In 5 years – strong, sustainable built power, public will and record of winning at local and state level leading to national change 	
<p>SOF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of connecting New Orleans work to state policy • Oil spill creates new moment and opportunity • New mayor in New Orleans • Opportunity to ramp up our work, have been waiting for this • Opportunity to build capacity of partners (e.g., open governance coalition) 	<p>SOF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tension between different groups on the ground; everything is viewed through lens of race; some residual effects from early decisions • Oil spill is also overwhelming; how to have an impact • Timing urgent, need to hire someone soon on the ground but not pleased with initial list of possibilities
<p>CJF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most grantees address state policy already even though located in central cities (in TX, LA) • Opportunity for balance of state and regional investments • Already started to look at Harris County (with D&P) which came out of state conversation internally • Our issues are interrelated: how much criminal justice issues are related to other issues; opportunity to connect the different lens people have to these connected issues • Opportunity to tap the expertise of other funds to help build capacity of small organizations in states • Opportunity to gain broader support for criminal justice issues and connecting those issues to broader constituency 	<p>CJF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future relationship of current staff with staff on the ground • How to invest and focus in other states • Process - how to roll out issues, partners, etc.; some current relationships state and not local, others local not state; some unique to one fund
<p>OSI-Baltimore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion underway and excited about transparency work at city and state level • Provides institutional way at OSI to export and import ideas 	<p>OSI-Baltimore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is not a sharp dichotomy at present between city and state, particularly in policy • Difference in co-funding vs giving money to OSI • Complications when multiple OSI

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<p>EOF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk more nationally in USP but this gives opportunities for other strategies • Partnerships and catalyzing opportunities between civil rights groups and local nimble groups on the ground • Inequities are felt at the local level; provides opportunity to think about regional equity • Feel good about opportunities for local impact (NY example of what's not working as well) • Opportunity to collaborate better (e.g., organizing with legal services) and explore how that works with D&P, etc. 	<p>funds/programs working in same area (e.g., education)</p> <p>EOF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing – managing each program nationally, staffing locally, staff impact of giving more smaller grants, need for intermediary strategy • If not more or enough money, do we and if so how do we transition from national portfolio to making meaningful local investments
<p>TIF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Orleans – new mayor and police chief publicly committed to accountability and transparency (city government, city master plan, civic groups engaged and excited); good timing for process • Opportunity to bring work together with CJF • Already wanted to expand in WI and TX 	<p>TIF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Orleans collaborative is the mainstay but still vulnerable, still experimental; capacity deficit includes collaboration • Workload
<p>CBMA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan already includes 3 regional convenings to promote best practices and collaboration (2 states each); provides good model for cross-state work • Opportunity to get more philanthropic resources to the table on issues of plight of black men and boys • State strategies provides opportunity to keep the crisis at center of policy advocacy and debate • Opportunity to build infrastructure with people of color led organizations • Connecting to conversation larger than the campaign 	<p>CBMA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to measure and know its working • How to not fund “civil war” in states, regions and cities (due diligence on history, turf, race, etc.) • “Resources drive strategy” – good for inserting new thinking and possibilities but also for distracting away from core work • Concerns about capacity of the organizations • How to build a 5-year bridge between service and advocacy