Cross-Sector Collaboration for COVID Recovery
How a Family Foundation Turned Millions in Grants into Billions of Investment in Local Economy
Panelists

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Funding Economic Recovery & Resilience, and Collaboration Are Reinforcing Trends of 2020

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We saw COVID-19 force business, government, and philanthropy to combine forces quickly to respond to community needs.
But too often our region’s systems are blocked, stymieing progress
As family philanthropies we can pollinate relationship networks across sectors and regions that open a system for growth.
We took on this role on Long Island - and stimulated a much-needed economic recovery project.
5 Principles for Seeding Organic, Regional Collaboration for Recovery & Resilience

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• Build Relationships Before Plans
• Gather Data Before Decisions
• Form a Hub, Not a Backbone
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Focusing on Cross-Sector Collaboration to Fund Recovery and Resilience De-Risks the Entire Process

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Questions for reflection

What is blocking recovery and resilience-building in your region? And what barriers do you see to your taking action?

Who would need to work together to open the system? And how could you pollinate those relationships?

What research could produce galvanizing data?

What initiative, working with whom, could move the economic needle in the right direction?
Additional Resources


Conscience & Community: The Legacy of Paul Ylvisaker, National Center for Family Philanthropy, 2020, curated by Virginia Esposito


The Long Island Index archive of indicators

Case Study: Breaking Through - How Smart Partnerships Overcame Decades of Resistance to Modernize America’s Busiest Commuter Railroad, 2019, by Elizabeth Moore

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Build a Better Burb began as a design competition held by the Long Island Index, a project of the Rauch Foundation, in 2010. Since then, it has grown into a comprehensive platform for understanding and implementing cutting-edge suburban design and sprawl retrofit strategies.

The goal of the program was to empower its users to help create change in their own community. The site presents a wide array of ideas, photographs, images and designs—an inspiring palette of possibilities that could work in many suburban communities. Long Islanders can see what is being done elsewhere, and how those efforts might work here.