Northshore Collective Impact Fund

PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Our Vision: A thriving Louisiana where a well-resourced, innovative, and collaborative nonprofit sector works effectively to address and resolve longstanding social challenges impacting children and families.

Our Solution: Establish regional nonprofit funds across Louisiana to provide sustained support for collaborative, high-impact initiatives addressing longstanding challenges for children and families. This model prioritizes efficiency, strategic investment, and partnership—streamlining resources, reducing costs, and fostering collaboration to drive meaningful, lasting change. Housed within community foundations, these funds will be guided by local expertise and needs, ensuring organizations receive the support necessary to achieve self-sufficiency and solve critical issues effectively.

What We Need: Private, corporate, and government funding partners committed to sustained investment in high-impact, collaborative solutions that address complex social challenges efficiently and effectively.

How It Works: We identify outstanding nonprofit teams through a rigorous selection process culminating with the Northshore Collective Impact Challenge, a pitch event. Once selected, winners receive multi-year capital investments to ensure long-term success. Additionally, the teams need to demonstrate how they plan to create sustained recurring revenue, earned income, or funding source in the future. As these initiatives thrive, they serve as prototypes for future pitch winners—creating a cycle of proven, scalable solutions. To achieve this, we need creative, entrepreneurial financing that goes beyond traditional one-time gifts to foster lasting impact.

By 2030: We'll have regional nonprofit investment funds across Louisiana that enable nonprofits to focus more on their missions and less on year-to-year fundraising struggles. These funds will maximize the impact of every donor dollar, support long-term collaboration over competition, and create coordinated, sustainable solutions to entrenched social challenges—setting a new standard for how nonprofits work together to drive real change.

Our approach means more effective services for Louisiana communities and better outcomes from philanthropic investments

Name of Fund: Northshore Collective Impact Fund

Fund Mission: To create a transformative funding model that empowers nonprofits to collaboratively address entrenched social challenges affecting children. By pooling significant resources, we provide capital investment of $300,000 over 3 years per initiative,

ensuring organizations have the stability and support needed to drive sustainable change. This model will be replicated across Louisiana, reshaping how social impact is funded and achieved.

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