

Bank of America

# Partnering to create stronger communities: Neighborhood Builders®

**\$905.9  
BILLION**

IN THE U.S. ECONOMY

**11.4 MILLION JOBS**

**COUNTLESS  
LIVES IMPACTED**

Nonprofits provide much-needed services to vulnerable communities while also serving as major economic engines and the foundation of strong communities.

But nonprofits face challenges. That's why Bank of America created Neighborhood Builders®, a program that creates more sustainable communities by providing nonprofits with tools to develop stronger strategic plans, chart a succession plan and enhance funding opportunities.

## Advancing economic mobility, building up neighborhoods

Since 2004, we've...

By supporting nonprofits that focus on **workforce development and education, community development and basic needs**

Neighborhood Builders is just one example of how we deploy capital in communities and build cross-sector partnerships, advancing economic and social progress as part of our approach to responsible growth.



Partnered with more than **1,000 nonprofits in 49 communities**



Advanced the leadership of more than **2,000 nonprofit executive directors and emerging leaders**



Invested more than **\$220 million** to build more sustainable communities, one of the nation's largest philanthropic investments in nonprofit leadership development.

## Leadership, flexible funding and a peer network

The Neighborhood Builders® program focuses on several key areas to help nonprofits make a bigger impact:

### Leadership Skills



Pauline Sylvain-Lewis

"What this program has done is given me training to impact the 2,000-plus individuals we serve yearly. The Neighborhood Builders Leadership Program gave me my voice and it also gave me tools to come back to give a very distressed neighborhood hope."

- **Pauline Sylvain-Lewis**,  
Director of Center for Working Families,  
North Lawndale Employment Network,  
Chicago

### Flexible Funding

By providing **flexible funding**, Neighborhood Builders helps nonprofits like **D.C. Central Kitchen** provide job training to the formerly incarcerated and turn local farm products into healthy meals for schools, shelters and nonprofits. D.C. Central Kitchen celebrated its **100th** Culinary Job Training class and an **89% job placement** rate.



### A Peer Network

**Neighborhood Builders** come together for three leadership programs: one for **executive directors**, one for **emerging leaders**, and one **combined program**.



"Leadership training has been invaluable – with so many new ideas – but then also meeting somebody from my market that I didn't know before has provided opportunity for us to work together."