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MAYORS SPEAK OUT: JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF FOUNDATIONS

"The City of Boston has a long history of collaborating with the philanthropic community to develop programs and policies that benefit the people of Boston. These partnerships are deep, with foundations showing a willingness to spend resources on research and policy development, as well as provide direct grants. These informed collaborations benefit the city and strengthen its programs and services for residents."

Thomas Menino
Mayor, Boston, MA

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"The City of Durham has a long history of working with the philanthropic community. These partnerships are now playing a vital role in the economic revitalization of our community. By supporting programs that provide jobs, job training, education and many other types of assistance, private and community foundations provide concrete resources that make an important and measureable difference for the City of Durham and its people."

William V "Bill" Bell
Mayor, Durham, NC

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"Foundation giving is literally planting the seeds of change in Lincoln. Philanthropy has helped our Community CROPS program address the societal problems of healthy eating and sustainability with 16 community gardens that feed, educate, and provide green space. Without foundation support, initiatives like Community CROPS that create meaningful change would not develop and grow. Lincoln's philanthropic community is a critical component to our high quality of life."

Chris Beutler
Mayor, Lincoln, NE

“During these times of high unemployment and economic uncertainty, it is extremely satisfying to know there are entrepreneurial philanthropic organizations willing and able to step forward and assist with training and professional development. These organizations, like People Helping People and the foundations that support it, are critical to certain underserved populations potentially missed by state, county and city programs. By focusing on single mothers these philanthropic efforts provide a basis for reducing both the number of unemployed individuals and the number of Salt Lake City children living in poverty.”

Ralph Becker
Mayor, Salt Lake City, UT

“It is only through public/private partnerships that we are able to build effective violence reduction programs like Summer Night Lights. As providers and supporters of crucial services in our City, we are at our very best when philanthropy and government partner together as we have around this initiative.”

Antonio Vilaraigosa
Mayor, Los Angeles, CA

“NeighborWorks provides a remarkable service to our community. Their home loan and financial education program creates homeownership opportunities for hard-working families, while their construction program has supported hundreds of jobs over the years. Through an active partnership with foundations and others, they are providing Montana families with a more stable and financially secure future by getting them into their own homes.”

Michael J. Winters
Mayor, Great Falls, MT